

Avon Township Board of Supervisors
March 7, 2007
Avon City Hall

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman LeRoy Gondringer at 7:30pm. We opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present; Richard Bresnahan, LeRoy Gondringer, John Merdan, Kelly Martini, Renee Smith. All present. Also present; Jeff Lange, Ken Megen, Jim Nierenhausen, Don Kluempke, Sue McGuire, Shawn Beaudry.

Minutes; Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Martini presented the following treasurers report for approval;

Balance 1/31	62,189.77	169,303.45	23,856.04	2,200.00	257,549.26
Receipts	79.00	1,176.69	0	200.00	1,455.69
Total	62,268.77	170,480.14	23,856.04	2,400.00	259,004.95
Disbursements	4,354.22	8,323.00	0	0	12,677.22
Balance 2/28	57,914.55	162,157.14	23,856.04	2,400.00	246,327.73

Township has received a gas tax check for \$ 21,181.00. This amount will be included in next month's report.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Medan, to approve the treasurer's report. All in favor, motion carried.

The supervisors went on to examine the claims presented for payment this month. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to approve payment of the claims. All in favor, motion carried.

Martini presented the figures and summary for 2006. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan, to approve the totals and summary for last year ('06). All in favor, motion carried. All in favor, motion carried.

Road Report: Jeff Lange stated they have been scraping the ice build up of the roads. Also, they have removed some of the salt sand where it was excessive.

A stop sign is needed on 175th. (Streits road). Several other signs are missing or need to be replaced.

The board will rent a 15 passenger van for the road inspection. The inspection is planned for Sunday afternoon, April 1.

Jim Nierenhausen was present to discuss his purchase of "Ellen's Grille and Bar". They will need to transfer the liquor and beer licenses to the new owner. Nierenhausen plans to put four apartments in the building. There will be no changes in the operation of the business. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan, agree with the license transfers. All in favor, motion carried.

Three people from the county wetland specialists were at the meeting to inform the group of the newest wetland regulations. Shawn Beaudry is an inspector for the MPCA. He called attention to the permit forms which must be completed before a project is started. Landowners should be aware that contractors are doing the project in line with the permitted plan. Township officials should be involved with a storm water pollution prevention plan when widening or straightening roads. Permits are usually available in one week or two days on line. The DNR may be involved in a violation case. An area is considered a wetland even it only has water in for a few days out of the year. The state has a wetland bank which may be used to settle some situations.

Planning Board: Ken Mergen reported that Chuck Griffith has not agreed on terms to sell his strip of land. A meeting of the city and township planning boards has been set for April 18 at 7:00pm.

Don Klumpke is the county person that will respond to township calls and Emails.

Ron Kuntsleben has sold 40 acres and the new owner wants to build a new house in a different spot. Since the county is doing our permits, we need to keep informed about what is being permitted in the township.

Steve Saupe was present to talk about buying a strip of land which borders his property. Also, Saupe was interested in being a deputy clerk. Discussion followed. Perhaps, he can be the person to receive county emails and permits.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve a certificate of compliance for Steve Saupe when it is needed in recording his land purchase. All in favor, motion carried.

Clerk Smith then appointed Saupe as deputy clerk. They will be working together on clarifying his duties.

Shirley Opatz has been working on her access to the property she owns off Norway Road. Igor Lenzner has given us a copy of the expenses which she will pay.

Board was reminded that the equalization meeting on April 30 at 7:00 pm. Clerk will take appointments.

Township cleanup will be April 11-25. Dumpsters will be placed at Martini's, Smith's and Gondringer's.

Finishing touches were made on the annual meeting agenda.

The supervisors are giving some thought to putting some of the funds left from '06 into some type of savings funds. that way the township would be better prepared for any large expense or project in the future.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:25pm.