

Avon Township Board of Supervisors  
December 3, 2008  
Avon City Hall

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman LeRoy Gondringer at 7:30pm. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present; John Merdan, LeRoy Gondringer, Richard Bresnahan, Kelly Martini, Renee Smith. All present.

Also present where Ken Mergen and Steve Saupe.

Agenda: City council persons Hugh Knox, Bob Pogatschnik was scheduled to appear at 8:00pm. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Martini presented the treasurers report for approval. Martini and the supervisors discussed the funds received by the township and compared the last two years. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the treasurers report. All in favor, motion carried.

Supervisors examined the claims to be paid this month. Question on Langes bill. The charge was for removal of concrete chunks from a ditch area in Parkwood Circle. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to take this amount (\$432) from the road damage fund. All in favor, motion carried.

There is a mound of dirt made by a 4-wheeler, on Norway Rd which Langes should remove.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan to approve the claims.

All in favor, motion carried.

Additional note: that the property owner should be notified before brushing work is done on his land.

Supervisors decided that we should conduct the township election at the St Benedicts Parish Center. Merdan will ask if we may also use space there for the annual meeting.

Bob Pogatschnik and Hugh Knox arrived to discuss the initiative foundation project. The township has sent a letter of support for the project. According to Bresnahan there is a committee meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 5:00pm, at St Johns University. Avon Hills is discussing a project with a professional consultant. This person lives in St Joseph and might be available to advise the city.

Planning Board Report: Ken Mergen brought to the supervisors attention that the planning board meeting falls on New Years Eve this year. Motion by Bresnahan seconded by Merdan to change the day to Tuesday December 30. All in favor, motion carried.

The planning board has informed Jean Studniski that her variance granted by the township has expired. They advised her not to renew it until they are ready to start building.

Mergen toured the site for the new Blattner wind tower. He felt that the company has done a good job with the preliminary plans and site preparation. County has informed Blattners may need to come to the township for a hearing because of the language in the MOU. Gondringer will speak to Don Adams about the hearing. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan, to say that the township has the authority to set a public hearing for Blattners conditional use permit if required. All in favor, motion

carried. The group was in favor of inviting someone from the county to give advice on changing the language in the MOU.

Some discussion on the noise issue. The supervisors have decided that the township should require special events permits for large outdoor events. The planning board should prepare a preliminary draft to review by the next board meeting. Board felt that Steve Saupe should bill the township for extra time spent on the project. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the plan.

Clerk brought up the question of replacing the 911 sign for Shirley Cox. The supervisors stand on our policy: any 911 sign placed or replaced by the township shall be billed to the landowner to the sum of \$75.00.

Gondringer will take charge of filling out and sending in the weed report.

Martini attended the MATS fall conference. She gave a summary of the business conducted there.

Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan, to approve and sign the contract with the Humane Society. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan. Meeting adjourned at 10:00pm.

	General Revenue	Road & Bridge	Fire	Road Damage	Capital Fund	Total
Balance from 10-31-08	\$30,887.26	\$16,890.02	\$3,358.48	\$2,400.00	\$115,000.00	\$168,535.76
Receipts	\$16,674.42	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,674.42
Total	\$47,561.68	\$16,890.02	\$3,358.48	\$2,400.00	\$115,000.00	\$185,210.18
Disbursements	\$2,898.90	\$12,263.04	\$3,375.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,537.44
Balance ending 11-30-08	\$44,662.78	\$4,626.98	(\$17.02)	\$2,400.00	\$115,000.00	\$166,672.74