

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
May 15, 2007

PRESENT: Supervisor Richard VanSyckle, Treasurer Jennifer McKeever, Clerk Penelope Ypma, Trustee James Rhodes, Trustee David Soya.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor VanSyckle.

Pledge of Allegiance

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT – Mrs. Rhodes stated she received a complaint regarding the Dowling Cemetery, reporting the cemetery was not trimmed well for Mother's Day and overgrown with mustard seed weeds.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT – Due July 2007.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – Mr. Jeff VanNortwick addressed well and septic inspections within Barry County. Pamphlets for the Red Cross were distributed. Highlights of upcoming events at Charlton Park were presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BIRCH ESCROW INSURANCE POLICY – the board will not take action at this time.

RESURFACE PARKING LOT - the board decided to postpone resurfacing the parking lot for another 1-2 years, as per recommendation from Doug Peck, Barry County Road Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

ROAD BUDGET – Moved by VanSyckle, supported by Ypma, to approve \$15,755 to slag seal Cloverdale Rd. (M-37 to S. Broadway Rd.). The remainder of the \$35,000 budgeted is to be used on gravel roads at the discretion of the road commission.

5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Without objection or correction the April 10, 2007 minutes were approved. Moved by Rhodes, supported by McKeever. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF BOARD OFFICERS

Supervisor VanSyckle reported that the Girl Scouts did yard work and cleaned some of the township hall windows in exchange for using the hall for their meetings. A thank-you will be sent to the leader of their troop. Mr. VanSyckle also reminded residents about the county-wide burning permit policy.

Treasurer's report provided. No discussion. Approved as read.

Clerk Ypma reported only 86 voters came to the polls to vote at the May 8th school election. Clerk Ypma reported that the township is currently engaged in the annual township audit, which also includes the Dowling Public Library.

PAY BILLS: Moved by VanSyckle, supported by Soya to pay bills as submitted.

Check #'s 7852-.7880 Motion carried.

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ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Richard VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date