

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
August 14, 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 – Township resident asked how he could get a handicap sign placed near his mother's residence. Supervisor VanSyckle suggested he contact Scott Bond at the Barry Co. Road Commission.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT – Due October 2007

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – Mr. Jeff VanNortwick presented his report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

GOLDSWORTHY'S HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION – Supervisor VanSyckle reported that the assessor is reviewing.

NEW BUSINESS

TRUTH & TAXATION – Moved by VanSyckle, supported by McKeever to accept the truth and taxation as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

OPENING OF BARRY CO. CENTRAL DISPATCH OPERATING PLAN – Moved by McKeever, supported by VanSyckle to approve opening of the plan. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

REPORTS OF BOARD OFFICERS

SUPERVISOR: reported that the BIRCH fire department purchased a new Jaws of Life truck, costing \$6000.00. Signs have been placed along the highway for the safety of the Amish buggies.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Report provided. No discussion. Approved as read.

CLERK: reported that beginning in November 2007, voters will need to have a photo I.D. in order to vote. In the process of updating the township's insurance policy and checking on a quote with perhaps a 25-30 percent reduction in premium cost. The date of the 2008 Presidential Primary is still uncertain (Michigan may change date to either January or February, 2008).

PAY BILLS: Moved by VanSyckle, supported by McKeever to pay bills as submitted. Check #'s 7929-7955. All ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Soya asked about the Gleaner's Annuity Plan. Supervisor VanSyckle is researching.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

George Cullers would like more gravel applied to our roads and suggested if any money is saved from the insurance policy, that the saved money be used for additional gravel.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Richard VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date