

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
September 9, 2008

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

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Supervisor VanSyckle.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Supervisor VanSyckle.

GUESTS: Pam Jarvis, newly elected county clerk, introduced herself to the audience. Rose Anger, candidate for drain commissioner, gave a presentation.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT – None

ASSESSOR’S REPORT – Mr. Ben Brousseau gave an update on the reappraisal.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT – Mr. Jeff VanNortwick presented a report.

TREASURER’S REPORT: - Report provided. No discussion. Approved as read.

NEW BUSINESS

CEMETERY REFUND - Moved by VanSyckle, supported by Soya to approve refund to Mrs. Moore for cemetery lot at Dowling Cemetery, (lot 116) in the amount of \$25.00.

VOTE: 5 Yeahs 0 Nays PASSED

CEMETERY DAMAGE – Clerk Ypma reported that someone damaged the brick entrances at the front and back of the cemetery, damaging the top support holding the wrought-iron arched entrance sign. Supervisor VanSyckle reported he is waiting for an estimate from John Tripp.

TRUTH AND TAXATION – Moved by McKeever, supported by VanSyckle to accept the truth and taxation as presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CARPET ESTIMATES – waiting for estimates on dying carpet from Brown’s Carpet.

MINUTES: Without objection or correction the August 12, 2008 minutes were approved. Moved by Rhodes, supported by Soya.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Moved by McKeever, supported by VanSyckle to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$34,022.71. Check #'s 8266-8289. No discussion.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT

George Cullers reported that Gloria Anderson is still having difficulty with the zoning and planning board regarding her commercial property located on M-37. The zoning and planning board wants to re-zone as residential. Mr. Cullers asked supervisor VanSyckle if he would visit Mr. McMann, County Zoning Administrator, in support of Mrs. Anderson keeping the property zoned commercial. Mr. Cullers stated it would be beneficial to the township to keep it commercial. David Whitmore stated he would accept a write-in vote as trustee.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Richard VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date