

# Climax Township

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor – Phyllis Simmons, Trustees – Monique Strong, Richard Thierjung, and Clerk – Marcia Lewis. Absent: Treasurer – Don Schultz

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **(Simmons/Strong)** Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **(Thierjung/Strong)** Motion to accept the minutes of July 8, 2008 special meeting, July 8, 2008 regular meeting, and the special meeting of July 17, 2008. Unanimously approved.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: One ordinance violation letter sent. Attended 2 Kalamazoo Area Transportation Services meetings that discussed federal funding, and bridge maintenance. Received invitation to board to attend 9-11-08 meeting at Texas Township given by the Red Cross.

GUESTS: Judy Sivak Director of the Kalamazoo County Area Agency on Aging who reviewed some of the services available.

CITIZENS: Larry Leach commented on new Hall entrance door. Elmer Wolf commented on proposed fire & rescue association open house.

FIRE AND RESCUE: 18 fire and medical runs in July. Board decided to postpone having regular Township board meeting at fire station until next spring. Fire Chief asked to compile list of excess fire equipment and proposed method of disposition for Township board approval. **(Strong/Thierjung)** Motion to accept Michael Westra and Kevin Ledbetter as two new firefighters on Climax Township Fire Department. Unanimously approved. Asked Fire Chief to report next month if downed power line call-out is billable. Request from Climax Fire & Rescue Association to hold an open house at Climax Township fire station was denied.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Monique Strong reported received and review of information received from Township attorney regarding the Enabling Act. Noted Special Exception use public hearing scheduled with regular planning commission meeting on August 28 7:00 pm at the Township hall.

ROAD COMMITTEE: Monique Strong reported 39<sup>th</sup> Street culvert replacement to commence August 13. Citizen Janet Seybert expressed concern that the placement of a collar on the surveyors mark at center of 40<sup>th</sup> St. and P Ave has not been completed. Supervisor noted larger culvert is required on 39<sup>th</sup> St., and reported in order to avoid a significant delay in the replacement of culvert and re-opening of 39<sup>th</sup> Street Supervisor and Clerk signed Road Commission contract after advising other board members within the Appropriation Act. **(Lewis/Strong)** Motion to approve the contract with the Township share of \$5,439 for the repair and replacement of culvert on 39<sup>th</sup> St at S Ave. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

TREASURER REPORT: **(Simmons/Thierjung)** Motion to accept the Treasurers report of June 2008 as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

CLERK REPORT: **(Lewis/Strong)** Motion to transfer \$90,823.66 from the Road MIF account to the General Fund MIF account to pay invoices for road construction. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved. Clerk noted August 5 Primary election went smoothly. Total of 189 voters cast their ballot **(Strong/Simmons)** Motion to accept the bill package of August 2008 as presented in the amount of \$137,269.07. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Board consensus not to attend the Michigan Townships Association fall district meeting

2) Read proposed Resolution 2008-12. Clerk prepared and read a personal statement regarding proposed resolution. Discussion followed. **(Simmons/Strong)** Motion that we accept Resolution 2008-12 Intent to Create Fire Protection Special Assessment District. Roll call: Ayes: Strong, Simmons, Thierjung. Nay: Lewis

**(Lewis/Simmons)** Motion to adjourn. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.  
Marcia Lewis-Climax Township Clerk  
Approved at the September 9, 2008 Regular Board Meeting