

Climax Township

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 9, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04 p.m.

PRESENT: Supervisor – Phyllis Simmons, Treasurer – Don Schultz, Trustees – Monique Strong, Richard Thierjung, and Clerk – Marcia Lewis. Absent: none

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: (**Lewis/ Strong**) Motion to add: Old Business: item 2 Building Code Violation, New Business: item 3 Resolution 2008-14 Land Use Plan Authority.

Unanimously approved. (**Simmons/Thierjung**) Motion to accept the agenda with additions. Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (**Thierjung/Strong**) Motion to accept the minutes of the August 12, 2008 regular meeting, and the August 26, 2008 special meeting. Unanimously approved.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Good response to ordinance violation letters sent. Received letter from citizen concerning a house in Scotts. The house does not fall under the zoning guidelines of abandoned. Supervisor to respond to citizen via a letter.

GUESTS: Mary Flegal of Flegal & Tibbitts- reviewed 2007-08 Audit and advised review of Township accounts for FDIC limitations. Treasurer will research. (**Schultz/Strong**) Motion to accept the report ended March 31, 2008 for Climax Township as prepared by Flegal & Tibbitts. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved

Bill Lewis Village of Climax representative-proposed a joint committee be formed to study water quality in the community. (**Strong/Lewis**) Motion to establish a water protection committee between the Village and the Township and possibly Charleston Township with Richard Thierjung to represent Climax Township on that committee. Unanimously approved

ROAD COMMITTEE: Bob Schaller reported on Road Committee recommendations. (**Strong/**) Motion withhold paying the dust control out of the road millage until we check with attorney. Motion withdrawn. Clerk to research. (**Lewis/Strong**) Motion that we proceed with the finish of the gravel on TS Avenue in the amount of \$8,085. Roll call: Unanimously approved. (**Simmons/Thierjung**) Motion that we do the wedging of 42nd Street at a cost of \$9,600 this season. Roll call: Aye: Lewis, Thierjung, Simmons. Nay: Schultz, Strong. Motion carried. Discussed possible dust control in October or early spring. Clerk to discuss with Travis Bartholomew of Kalamazoo County Road Commission.

CITIZENS: Terry Strong Climax Village Public Safety Committee Chair distributed a letter regarding Village fire protection.

FIRE AND RESCUE: 3 fire and medical runs in August 2008. Clerk requested the report on training to be included with monthly run report. Fire Chief requested residents contact him if they have any special medical requirements. Repairs completed on truck 1461. Fire Chief anticipates fire equipment inventory to be completed by next meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Monique Strong reported public hearing held August 28 for a Special Exception Use. Request was granted.

Richard Thierjung reported Variance hearing held by Zoning Board of Appeals August 26. Request was granted.

TREASURER REPORT: Summer tax collection is progressing. Treasurer will be accepting tax payments all day 9-15-08. **(Strong/Thierjung)** Motion to accept the July and August 2008 Treasurers reports as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

CLERK REPORT: Repairs needed and completed on HP printer. Received DNR matching funds from grant. Paperwork submitted for 100% reimbursement of Polling Place Grant. Preparation underway for November election. **(Simmons/Strong)** Motion to accept the bill package as presented in the amount of \$17,469.28 for the month ending September 2008. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) **(Simmons/Strong)** Motion that Marcia Lewis contact Craig Rolfe with authorization to review Township Ordinances. Unanimously approved.
- 2) Owner of home with building code violation has received occupancy permit. Court date is still scheduled. **(Schultz/Simmons)** Motion to give Craig Rolfe the authorization to dismiss case with whatever costs he can get and not proceed any further. Unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Discussed proposed amendment of Ordinance 101 with Ordinance 133 pertaining to State Construction Code violation. **(Strong/Schultz)** Motion that we accept proposal to amendment of the state construction code ordinance 101 with Ordinance 133. Roll call: Unanimously approved.
- 2) Read and discussed proposed Resolution 2008-14. **(Schultz/Strong)** Motion to adopt Climax Township Resolution 2008-14 to Assert Land Use Plan Approval authority. Roll call: Unanimously approved.

Noted Dale Hein of the Kalamazoo County Area Transportation Authority will be guest at the October meeting.

(Lewis/Strong) Motion to adjourn. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.
Marcia Lewis-Climax Township Clerk
Approved at the October 14, 2008 Regular Board Meeting