

SEPTEMBER 6, 2005 ALGANSEE TOWNSHIP

ON TUESDAY, SETEMBER 6, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. the ALGANSEE TOWNSHIP BOARD met at the Algansee Township Hall, 378 South Ray Quincy Road, Quincy, Michigan. Members present were Supervisor Erica Ewers, Treasurer Ann Strong, Trustee Bill Avra, Trustee John Shilling and Clerk Suzanne Preston. Visitors present that signed in were Dallas & Beverly Snyder, and Joy Wood.

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE- Supervisor Erica Ewers called the meeting to order and Suzanne Preston led us in the pledge to the American flag.

B. AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS- Suzanne Preston motioned to accept the agenda as presented. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT- none

D. MINUTES- Ann Strong motioned to accept the August 1, 2005 township board minutes. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried.

E. TREASURER'S REPORT

E. 1. September Report- Treasurer Ann Strong reported that the August township balance was \$501,742.85, township had expenses of \$24,832.71 and township had income of \$24,117.69, giving the township a balance of \$501,027.83. The clerk didn't agree. Ann Strong motioned to table the Treasurer's report. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

E. 2. Audit/Quick Books Update- Supervisor Erica Ewers said the auditor will be here at our September meeting. Suzanne Preston motioned to have the auditor give our Treasurer Ann Strong the quick books training. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

E. 3. IRS Update- Treasurer Ann Strong said we haven't heard anything yet.

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

F. 1. Fire Association- John Shilling motioned to accept the Quincy Fire Association Agreement. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

F. 2. Planning and Zoning Commission Report- John Shilling reported they are working on amending the Algansee Township Zoning Ordinance.

F. 3. Zoning Board of Appeals- Bill Avra reported they met once.

F. 4. Building Committee- Supervisor Erica Ewers reported she met with a contractor and had some questions for the board about what we would like in the addition.

G. OLD BUSINESS

G. 1. ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS- JUNK & ZONING- a. Girod, Girod, Schwartz & Schmucker- the hearing for the Amish is set for January 23-25, 2006 with judge Cherry. Supervisor Erica Ewers reported there are 2 trailer violations and a Junk violation- Mr. Reigle has until the end of November to clean up.

G. 2. WEBSITE- Supervisor Erica Ewers said she met with Fred Morgan of the Solomon Group.

G. 3. LIBRARY BUILDING SPACE CONTRACT- Supervisor Erica Ewers said Ken Wood is still reading it.

G. 4. ANY OTHER OLD BUSINESS- none

H. NEW BUSINESS

H. 1. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES- Bill Avra motioned to accept the August 29, 2005 Algansee Township Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes as presented. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried. Supervisor Erica Ewers reported we had a mix up with our bill from McKenna; she wrote them a letter and got it straightened out.

H. 2. ANY OTHER NEW BUSINESS- Jr. Carpenter had questions about the quality of dust control on Hammon Road; he was also upset with being connected with the gravel pit incident, in which he doesn't have anything to do with the gravel pit. Supervisor Erica Ewers reported that on Wolf Road, even with it being so dry there are 2 wet spots on Wolf Road that the Branch County Road Commission will look into. We all agreed to hold the payment to the Road Commission for Wolf Road until those wet spots are fixed.

I. PAYMENT OF BILLS- Bills were presented in the amount of \$24,832.71. John Shilling motioned to pay the bills. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

J. SPECIAL REPORTS

J. 1. ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT- Russ Jennings reported he had issued 8 permits this last month, 2 of them being new homes.

J. 2. BRANCH COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT- Mickey Rubley gave her report.

J. 3. ALGANSEE LIBRARY REPORT- August report- 487 items checked out and 309 in attendance for the month.

J. 4. ASSESSOR'S REPORT- Supervisor Erica Ewers reported she is working on the sales study and asked the Treasurer about collecting taxes. Treasurer Ann Strong said she will be collecting taxes thru the September 14, 2005 and she will be home all day on the 14th.

K. CORRESPONDENCES- Supervisor Erica Ewers reported we had an invitation to the Branch County Land Use Tour on Sept 22, 2005 starting with lunch being served at noon at the Extension Office put on by the MSU Extension, and a flyer from MTA about the Nuts and Bolts of the Twp Fire Dept. and a workshop on the Land Division process.

L. PUBLIC COMMENT- none

NEXT MEETING- Supervisor Erica Ewers reported the next meeting will be on Monday, October 3, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at the Algansee Township Hall.

ADJOURN- Ann Strong made a motion to adjourn. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried. Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Suzanne Preston, Clerk