January 6, 2003

On Monday January 6, 2003 the regular meeting of the Algansee Township Board was called to order at 8:00pm at the Algansee Township Hall, 378 S. Ray Quincy Rd., Quincy, Michigan. All board members were present- Supervisor Erica Ewers, Treasurer Bonita Shilling, Trustee Russell Strong, Trustee Bill Avra and Clerk Suzanne Preston.

Pledge- Supervisor Erica Ewers led all of us in the pledge to the American flag.

Agenda- Supervisor Ewers asked us to add County Drain Assessment to the New Business. Suzanne Preston motioned to accept the agenda as presented with the addition. Bill Avra supported the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment- Deputy Fillmore from the Branch County Sheriff's Department asked for any questions or comments?

Minutes- Bill Avra motioned to accept the 12-2-02 minutes as presented. Bonita Shilling supported the motion with the correction that the tax notices went out last week not next week. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report- Bonita Shilling reported there was a balance of \$512,855.05. The Clerk agrees. Russell Strong motioned to accept the Treasurer's report. Bill Avra supported the motion. Motion carried. The Treasurer reported that she has collected \$400,000.00 of the taxes.

Bills- Expenses presented for the month were \$23,815.96. Bonita Shilling motioned to pay the bills. Russell Strong supported the motion. Motion carried.

Committee Reports- Fire- the next Fire meeting will be after our February meeting.

Planning and Zoning Commission- Russell- he said he didn't have anything to report.

Zoning Appeals Board- Bill- he reported they met once for Ed and Effie Reed.

Building Committee- Supervisor Ewers reported they have a 2nd bid for a building.

Old Business-

Township Violations- Bickford- the township does have the deed, need to have property cleaned up. Bonita Shilling motioned to advertise to take bids to have the property cleaned up. Russell Strong supported the motion. Motion carried. **Dickman**- still pending. **Davis**- the township's attorney is finishing the appellate brief. **Donato**- goes to court this Thursday. **Tom**- hearing at the next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

Community House- it is scheduled to go back to court in April.

Charter Franchise Agreement- Bonita Shilling motioned to accept the agreement. Suzanne Preston supported the motion. Motion carried.

Tele Comm. Law- Supervisor Ewers reported she hasn't heard anything new.

Board of Review- the positions are up and we need to advertise for anyone interested in serving.

Any Other old business- none.

New Business- Zoning Administrator- will be on vacation for a month from January 19th to February 19th. Supervisor Ewers said to contact her with any questions.

Planning and Zoning Minutes- Bill Avra motioned to approve the 12-12-02 Planning and Zoning Commission minutes. Bonita Shilling supported the motion. Norm Knisely read his statement. Motion to approve the minutes carried. Bill Avra motioned to approve the request from Emmanuel Schwartz property code # 12-120-021-300-015-00. Bonita Shilling supported the motion. Motion carried.

Branch County Road Commission Annual Meeting with Township Board- will be February 10th at 2:00 p.m. Bonita Shilling wondered if it could be at 9:00 a.m. that same day? Supervisor Ewers said she would check.

Revenue Sharing- Supervisor Ewers reported that the revenue sharing is down 3.5% retroactive back to October 2002 payment.

Budget Workshop-Bonita Shilling motioned to hold the budget workshop on Thursday January 23, 2003 at 7:00p.m. Suzanne Preston supported the motion. Motion carried.

Budget-Hearing- Bonita Shilling motioned to have the Budget-Hearing and the Truth and Taxation Hearing at 7:00p.m. on February 3, 2003. Suzanne Preston supported the motion. Motion carried.

Drains at Large- the township's share was \$5,995.72. Bonita Shilling motioned to pay the Drains at Large. Russell Strong supported the motion. Motion carried. Supervisor Ewers said she would ask for a break down of our share.

Any Other New Business- none.

Special Reports-

Zoning Administrator- Ed Michel said he issued 3 permits this past month.

Branch County Commissioner's Report- Mickey Rubley gave her report.

Library- Supervisor Ewers gave the library report.

Any Other Comments- Bill Jones wondered about the stumps on his road?

Next Meeting will be February 3rd starting at 7:00p.m., with the Budget-Hearing and Truth and Taxation Hearing.

Adjourned- Russell Strong motioned to adjourn. Bonita Shilling supported the motion. Motion carried.

Budget Workshop- On January 23, 2003 Bill Avra, Bonita Shilling, Erica Ewers and Suzanne Preston met at the Algansee Township Hall at 8:00 p.m. and worked on the budget. Adjourned at 10:30p.m.