**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** on Monday, July 2, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. Supervisor Erica Ewers called the Algansee Township Board meeting to order at the Algansee Township Hall, 378 South Ray Quincy Road, Quincy, Michigan. All board members were present- Supervisor Erica Ewers, Treasurer Ann Strong, Trustee Bill Avra, Trustee John Shilling and Clerk Suzanne Preston. Visitors present that signed in were Shirley Tait, Susan Shilling, Tom Morgan, Bill & Judy Jones, Joe Donato, Barb Lloyd, Sam & Joyce Clark.

Pledge Allegiance- Suzanne Preston led us in the pledge to the American Flag.

- **B. AGENDA- ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS-** Suzanne Preston motioned to approve the agenda. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.
- **C. PUBLIC COMMENT-** Supervisor Erica Ewers said she got a call from John Coward wondering if the township could put up a no dumping sign on Bennett Road with a \$500.00 fine. The Board felt that putting a sign there might bring more dumping like it did on Kelly Road.
- **D. MINUTES** Bill Avra motioned to accept the June 4, 2007 Algansee Township Meeting minutes. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.
- **E. TREASURER'S REPORT-** the Treasurer Ann Strong reported the balance at last township meeting, June 4, 2007, was \$537,937.34, the township had income this past month of \$4,365.72 and the township had expenses this past month of \$20,098.15 giving the township a balance of \$522,204.91 for this month. The Clerk agrees. Bill Avra motioned to accept the July 2, 2007 Treasurer's report. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried. The Treasurer Ann Strong reported the township audit will be on July 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m., summer tax bills will be out this week and the county will be collecting 2006 delinquent personal property taxes.

## F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **F. 1. Quincy Fire Association** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported they met and approved to have an audit. The Amish Benefit auction made \$13,000 for the Fire Department.
- **F. 2. Report from the Algansee Township Planning Commission** John Shilling reported they met once, and the township Planner was there and they got a lot done. Some people would like to have another meeting this month. John Shilling motioned to have another Planning meeting on July 18<sup>th</sup> and 7:00 p.m. Support by Suzanne Preston. Motion carried.
- **F. 3. Report from Algansee Township Zoning Board of Appeals** Bill Avra reported they didn't meet.
- **F. 4. Report from Algansee Township Building Committee** Bill Avra reported he will advertise for other bids.
- **F. 5. Website (www. alganseetownship.com)** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported the website has been updated.

## **G. OLD BUSINESS**

**G. 1. Ordinance Violations & Barn Letters- Barn letters** Patti Knirk- Potter Rd, just south of Central Rd., Carmen Stout- 880 Hall Rd.- barn down, Dennis Stout- 920 Hall Rd.- barn down, Roger Van Lieu- 481 Philip Rd. main farm- working on it.

Junk Violations (New Guidelines in effect 12-15-06) - Civil Infractions- Avra, 837 Crauns Lane.

Zoning Violations- Walrack Property- meetings have been held with attorney and he is to get back with us on the best way to proceed.

- **Injunctive Orders** Jacob Eicher- 507 Hammon Rd., Sam Girod Jr. 671 S. Ray Quincy Rd. Attorney Chuck Lillis submitted brief by June 19<sup>th</sup> for both cases, court date August 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00a.m. On Friday received word from Attorney Lillis that Mr. Eicher and Mr. Girod are requesting a 60 day extension. This has been allowed so waiting a new court date.
- **G. 2. Branch County Road Commission-** there will be another traffic count on Campbell Road the first week of September. Briggs Road paving has begun.
- **G. 3. Wireless Internet Tower** the people will be here next month to discuss the tower.
- **G. 4. Any Other Old Business-** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported she has a copy of the Michigan Supreme court ruling on Greater Bible Way Church of Jackson verses the City of Jackson. They reversed the appeals court ruling saying zoning doesn't violate religious rights. Anyone can read the brief if they would like.
- **H. NEW BUSINESS H. 1. Planning Commission** John Shilling motioned to accept the 6-25-07 Planning Commission minutes. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.
- H. 2. Any Other Business- none
- **I. Payment of Bills** Expenses were presented in the amount of \$22,046.60. Bill Avra motioned to pay the bills. Support by Suzanne Preston. Motion carried.

## J. SPECIAL REPORTS

- **J. 1. Zoning Administrator's Report** Russ Jennings reported he issued 9 zoning permits this last month- Belcher, Bruce Diment, Preston Farms, Joseph Girod, Sean Nowicki, Kevin Stempien, Carpenter Farms (Chad), Martin Schmucker, Jennifer and Mark Whitney.
- **J. 2. Branch County Commissioner's Report** Mickey Rubley gave her Commissioner's report.
- **J. 3. Algansee Library Report** Supervisor Erica Ewers gave the library June report which is as follows- circulation was 978, attendance was 448, hours open was 92 and internet use was 164.
- **J. 4. Assessor's Report** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported that the July Board of Review will be on July  $17^{th}$  at 8:00 a.m.
- **K. Correspondences** Branch County Land Use Tour, MTA- summer evening workshop, America's Town Meeting will be September 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>. Suzanne Preston motioned to pay for expenses for Tom Morgan and Russ Jennings to attend the MTA Summer Evening workshop. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

## L. Public Comment- none

- **M. Next Meeting** will be on Monday, August 6, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Algansee Township Hall.
- **N. Adjournment** Ann Strong motioned to adjourn. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Suzanne Preston, Clerk