

A. CALL MEETING- TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- on Monday, December 3, 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Suzanne Preston led us in the pledge to the American Flag.

B. AGENDA- ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS- Suzanne Preston motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of David Locey under new business. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT- none

C. 1. Special Assessment Public Hearing for Dons Drive (private) Road Maintenance Renewal- Russ Jennings of 159 Dons Dr. explained that they would like the maintenance fee to still be \$25.00, renewable in 5 years. Supervisor Erica Ewers asked if anyone had any questions. Nicole Deaton of 259 Dons Dr wondered if this special assessment request would include her. It was explained to Nicole that it does not. Those present from Dons Drive were John Kniotek- 147 Dons Dr., Rick Coon- 162 Dons Dr., Tom Morgan- 233 Dons Dr, and Russ Jennings- 159 Dons Dr. Rick Coon motioned to proceed with the 2nd special assessment public hearing. Support by John Kniotek. Motion carried. There are 52 lots on Dons Drive private with 43 property owners and 28 people signed the petition. John Shilling motioned to close the public hearing for special assessment for Dons Drive private. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. Ann Strong motioned to proceed with the 2nd hearing. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried

C. 2. Special Assessment Public Hearing for Bickford/Winhoven for Aquatic Weed Control- Fred Figley of 240 Bickford Drive, said that Scott Banfield from Aquatic Weed Control will be doing the weed control. Supervisor Erica Ewers said we will need a bid before next hearing to be able to give the property owners a figure on how much it will cost. Fred Figley said the property owners would like this to be a continuous contract. Fred Figley motioned to proceed with 2nd special assessment public hearing. Support by Ryan Ward. Motion carried. There are a total of 30 lots and 19 people signed the petition. John Shilling motioned to close the public hearing for aquatic weed control for Bickford and Winhoven Drives. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. Bill Avra motioned to proceed with the 2nd public hearing for aquatic weed control for Bickford and Winhoven Drives. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried

Any Other Public Comment- none

D. MINUTES- Bill Avra motioned to accept the November 5, 2007 Algansee Township Meeting minutes. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried.

E. TREASURER'S REPORT- the Treasurer Ann Strong reported the balance at the last township meeting November 5, 2007 was \$489,681.20, the township had income this past month of \$26,161.68 and the township had expenses this past month of \$12,643.17 giving the township a balance of \$503,199.71 for this month. The Clerk agrees. John Shilling motioned to accept the December 3, 2007 Treasurer's report. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

F. 1. Quincy Fire Association – Supervisor Erica Ewers reported they have the proposed budget.

F. 2. Report from the Algansee Township Planning Commission - John Shilling reported they are done with the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and will hold a public hearing on January 19th at 9:00 a.m. at the Pine Ridge Bible Church, with the township board's approval. Bill Avra motioned to hold the public hearing for the amendments to the zoning ordinance on January 19th at 9:00 a.m. at the Pine Ridge Bible Church. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. John Shilling motioned to advertise the amendment changes twice in the Daily Reporter newspaper and Shoppers

Guide. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. John Shilling also reported the Planning Commission agreed not to meet in December.

F. 3. Report from Alganssee Township Zoning Board of Appeals- Bill Avra reported they didn't meet.

F. 4. Report from Alganssee Township Building Committee- Bill Avra reported they have the blue prints and will submit them to the County Building Inspector.

F. 5. Website ([www. algansseetownship.com](http://www.algansseetownship.com)) – updated with the zoning amendments.

G. OLD BUSINESS

G. 1. Ordinance Violations- Junk & Zoning- Barn letters- Carmen Stout- 880 Hall Rd. - barn down. **Dennis Stout-** 920 Hall Rd. - barn down. **Roger VanLieu-** main farm- 481 Phillip Rd. - working on.

Junk Violations- (New Guidelines in effect 12-15-06) Civil Infractions- John Dzienny- 232 Bickford Dr- All cleaned up.

Zoning Violations- Walrack property- Mr. Ron Stender (occupant) – keep trying to get a hold of him.

G. 2. Wireless Internet Tower- Bill Avra motioned to take off the table the Wireless Internet Tower discussion. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. Ann Strong motioned to dismiss all prior internet topics. Support by Suzanne Preston. Motion carried. Suzanne Preston motioned to proceed with John Shilling's offer of 2.91 acres of his property on Wolf Road with a 25 year lease for \$1.00, no hook up at this time, may want one in the future, to put the 150 foot wireless internet tower. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. John Shilling abstained from discussion about his property and the voting. Bill Avra motioned to proceed with DMCIbb for a cost of \$25,266. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried with one no vote. Bill Avra motioned to proceed with Maplenet Company for the 150 foot tower. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. Ann Strong motioned to proceed with a Special Use Request Hearing on January 3, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. Suzanne Preston motioned to redo the contracts. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

G. 3. Household Hazardous Waste Follow up- 629 participated in the collection for a total of \$8,000 pounds. 33 residents from Alganssee Township participated.

G.4. W. Channel Drive Request- the residents of W. Channel Drive submitted a petition to have their road paved. Supervisor Erica Ewers said it is a public road and we will discuss it at budget time. Supervisor Erica Ewers said she discussed it with Ovid Township Supervisor and Ovid doesn't think it will be in their budget soon.

G. 5. – Any Other Old Business- Ryan Ward wondered if the south end of Briggs Road could have ditches along side the road.

H. NEW BUSINESS- H. 1. Planning Commission – John Shilling motioned to accept the November 11, 2007 Planning Commission minutes. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. Bill Avra motioned to accept the November 26, 2007 Planning Commission minutes. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

H. 2. Zoning Ordinance Public Hearing- already discussed.

H. 3. Election Update- the Clerk said the January 15th Presidential Primary is on, haven't received the ballots yet but will soon.

H. 4. Citizens Committee Request- a Citizens committee has requested reimbursement of expenses. Supervisor Erica Ewers said there weren't any township board motions to approve the committee, so the township won't reimburse the committee.

H.4.5. David Locey- the township auditor David Locey has submitted a bid of \$3800 to do this year's audit. Bill Avra motioned to have David Locey continue to audit the township's books this year. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

H. 5. Any Other New Business-

I. PAYMENT OF BILLS- Expenses were presented in the amount of \$11,118.22. John Shilling motioned to pay the bills. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

J. SPECIAL REPORTS

J. 1. Zoning Administrator's Report- Zoning Administrator Russ Jennings reported he has issued 1 zoning permit for the month of November a renewal to Don & Rosie Peterson

J. 2. Branch County Commissioner's Report- Mickey Rubley was absent.

J. 3. Alganssee Library Report- Alganssee Township Librarian Jan Clark sent the November library report- circulation was 566, attendance was 331, hours open was 84, and internet use was 158.

J. 4. Assessor's Report - Supervisor Erica Ewers said the Board of Review is set for December 11th at 8:00 a.m.

K. CORRESPONDENCES - At Supervisor's Meeting Sheriff Cannon said there may charges for Civil Infractions, Fremont Road Bridge is 5 weeks behind schedule, Citizen Planner Workshop in St. Joe County, MTA poverty exemption audit.

L. PUBLIC COMMENT- Steven Rubin feels he is over taxed.

M. NEXT MEETING- will be on Monday, January 7, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at the Alganssee Township Hall.

N. ADJOURNMENT- Ann Strong motioned to adjourn. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.
Suzanne Preston, Clerk