

June 4, 2012 Algansee Township Board Minutes

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- on Monday, June 4, 2012 at 7:30pm Supervisor Tom Morgan called the Algansee Township Board meeting to order at the Algansee Township Hall, 378 South Ray Quincy Road, Quincy, Michigan. Algansee Township Board members present were- Supervisor Tom Morgan, Treasurer Ann Strong, Trustee Mick Belcher, Trustee Bill Avra and Clerk Suzanne Preston. Visitors present that signed in were Michael & Kristine Gatke, Charles & Julie Kacines, Ellen Burmeister, Marlene Kopp, Kathy Pen, Brad & Patty Smith, Tim Gajewski, Terry & Deana Barror, Teresa Wasielewski, Mary & Harold Jensen, S. Smallwood, Kirk Kashian, Linda Belcher, John Shilling, Terry Kubasiak, Ann & Don Vrablic and Sandra Badders- 107 Crockett Dr.

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

B. AGENDA- Suzanne Preston motioned to approve agenda. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT- Mike Gatke introduced himself, gave his qualifications and told us why we should vote for him for the Branch County Sheriff in the August Primary. Kirk Kashian introduced himself, gave his qualifications and told us why we should vote for him for Probate judge in the August Primary. Ann Vrablic introduced herself, gave her qualifications and why we should vote for her in the November General Election.

Terry & Deana Barror- 234 Bickford Drive are neighbors to John Dzenny who has had a tarp for his roof for several years. Supervisor Tom Morgan said the Quincy Fire Chief said there aren't any propane tanks in the garage and the tanks on the outside are properly stored. Supervisor Tom Morgan said he would send him a letter about his junk. Deana Barror said she talked to the Branch County Building Inspector who said they deal in new buildings only. They will look at the electrical hook up. Christine Gatke said she works for the Adult Protective Services and if someone makes a referral they will go out and check.

Any Other Public Comments- none

D. MINUTES- Algansee Township Board Minutes- Bill Avra motioned to accept 5-7-2012 Algansee Township Board minutes. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

Algansee Planning Commission Minutes- Bill Avra motioned to accept the 5-29-2012 Planning Commission minutes. Support by Mick Belcher. Motion carried.

E. TREASURER'S REPORT-

E. 1. Monthly Report- Treasurer Ann Strong reported the balance at the last township meeting was \$391,892.55. We had income this past month of \$10,887.10 and expenses this past month of \$52,766.20 giving Algansee Township a balance for this June meeting of \$350,002.81. The Clerk agrees. Mick Belcher motioned to accept Treasurer's report. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

F. 1. Quincy Fire Association- Bill Avra reported the next meeting will be June 12th.

F. 2. Report from Algansee Township Planning Commission- Mick Belcher reported the Planning Commission approved a special use request for James Shafer- 416 South Fremont Road. Ann Strong motioned to approve the Special Use Permit and land split. Bill Avra supported the motion. Motion carried.

F. 3. Report from Algansee Township Zoning Board of Appeals- didn't meet last month.

F. 4. Ordinance Violations- 1025 Grove Road-letters resent, the old Church next to Fisher Cemetery-letters resent, 246 Bickford Drive- letter sent, status of Tarp Roof Complaint on Bickford Drive.

F. 5. Website- www.alganseetownship.com- Supervisor Tom Morgan said he has the Library information changed.

G. OLD BUSINESS-

G. 1. Dust Control- Mary Jensen asked when the gravel roads would be oiled and Harold Jensen wondered if individual home owners could purchase dust control for in front of their homes. We said they could.

G. 2. Any Other Old Business- none

H. NEW BUSINESS-

H. 1. -Michigan Supreme Court Ruling: Townships now responsible for leaking/faulty septic systems- Supervisor tom Morgan reported the legally everything hasn't been worked out yet. Cindy Bland asked if the sewer group is doing anything about sewers. The group isn't doing anything right now. Sandra Badders asked if anyone knew that their neighbor had a faulty septic, who should they report it to?

H. 2. Any Other Old Business- none

I. PAYMENT OF BILLS- Expenses were presented in the amount of \$9,905.35. Mick Belcher 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 issued 7 zoning permits for the month of May. He reported their will be a tent revival on Grove Road.

J. 2. Branch County Commissioner's Report- Don Vrablic reported the Branch County Commissioner's Top 5 Monthly Report- Emergency Management has about 75 early warning radios for placement in the county, Sheriff Update-Meth clean up Trailer purchased, Marine Patrol training and another patrol car on 3:00pm to 3:00am shift, several new restaurants coming into county, potential tax cuts, Economic Summit June 6th.

J. 3. Algansee Library Report- Algansee Librarian Jan Clark sent her May report: Circulation-668, Attendance-380, Hours-97, Wireless-85, Inside Internet-170, Juvenile Programs-1, Attendance at programs-4, Young Adult programs-6, Attendance 28, Melcat t our patrons-34.

J. 4. Assessor's Report – Michigan Tax Tribunal was held for Robert Fitch on May 15; to date no ruling received. Data entry is up to date other than a handful of land splits. Last year we received a large quantity of combination requests and this year it has been land splits. She has submitted value update along with name, address, and legal description update to County Equalization today to comply with the new June 1 deadline for the Principal Residence Exemptions. The computer has worked fine for about 6 months and now it is back to doing the same thing it was before. I have an e-mail into Nick but have not heard back from him. July Board of Review is set for July 17th at 8:00am. Working with the Register of Deeds office, Equalization, GIS, and Building Inspection to obtain all the documents needed to continue to keep the files up to date.

K. CORRESPONDENCE- none

L. PUBLIC COMMENT- none

M. NEXT REGULAR MEETING- will be Monday, July 2, 2012, 7:30 pm.

N. Adjourn- Ann Strong motioned to adjourn. Bill Avra supported the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Suzanne Preston, Algansee Township Clerk