

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER- on Monday, July 7, 2014 at 7:30pm Supervisor Russ Jennings called the Algansee Township Board meeting to order at the Algansee Township Hall, 378 South Ray Quincy Road, Quincy, Michigan. All Algansee Township Board members were present- Supervisor Russ Jennings, Treasurer Ann Strong, Trustee Bill Avra, Trustee John Shilling and Clerk Suzanne Preston. Visitors present that signed in were Brad Rupp, Dennis Higbee, Greg Parker, Arlene Parker and Tim Gajewski.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Supervisor Russ Jennings led the pledge to the American Flag.

B. AGENDA- Ann Strong motioned to approve agenda. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT- Jim Strock and Brad Rupp reported on the Mute swan removal. Bill Avra motioned to support the Mute Swan removal. Support by Ann Strong. Roll call vote John Shilling-yes, Bill Avra- yes, Russ Jennings- yes, Ann Strong- yes and Suzanne Preston- yes. Motion carried.

D. MINUTES- Algansee Township Board Minutes- Bill Avra motioned to accept the June 2, 2014 Algansee Township Board minutes. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried.

Algansee Planning Commission Minutes- John Shilling motioned to accept June 30, 2014 Planning Commission minutes as presented. Ann Strong supported the motion. Motion carried.

E. TREASURER'S REPORT

E. 1. Monthly Report- Treasurer Ann Strong reported balance at the last meeting, of \$412,283.39. We had expenses this month of \$29,377.73 income of \$6,642.54 giving Algansee Township a balance of \$389,548.20. Clerk agrees. John Shilling motioned to accept Treasurer's report. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

F. 1. Quincy Fire Association- Trustee Bill Avra reported Quincy Fire Department next meeting will be July 16th for all township board members

F. 2. Report from Zoning Board of Appeals- Bill Avra said they didn't meet.

F. 3. Report from Planning Commission- John Shilling reported Henry Schwartz's schoolhouse is in violation of the Algansee Township Zoning Ordinance.

F. 4. Website- www.alganseetownship.com- Supervisor Russ Jennings reported it is doing fine.

F. 5. Ordinance Violations- 1025 Grove Rd-Mr. Kipfer bought the property then sold it to Martin Schmucker on land contract.

211 South Ray Quincy Road- Supervisor Russ Jennings reported Mr. Handy has cleaned up the violation, issued is closed.

1273 Burlew Road- the property is owned by Ken Keeton and he has hired someone to clean up the property.

G. OLD BUSINESS-

G. 1. Planning Committee to Review Feasibility to Move Library to Twp. Hall- committee of Russ Jennings, John Shilling and Bill Avra will meet to review the move of Library to township hall. Supervisor Russ Jennings reported it is on hold until after the August primary to see if the library millage passes.

G. 2. Planning Committee to Review Feasibility to Move Lights at Twp. Hall- committee of Russ Jennings, John Shilling and Bill Avra will meet to review moving lights to keep bugs off township hall. Supervisor Russ Jennings reported the lights are moved.

G. 3. Any Other Old Business- Supervisor reported should be roof over south door at township hall.

H. NEW BUSINESS-

H. 1. Mute Swan Removal from Lakes- already discussed.

H. 2. Update on Asian Milfoil Weed Control- Supervisor reported it has been sprayed 3 times this year.

H. 3. The Amish School House- the Amish have moved a building on to Henry Schwartz's property for a schoolhouse. Hearing date is July 23, 2014 at 3:00pm.

H. 4. July 2014 Algansee Township Newsletter- supervisor Russ Jennings reported the newsletters are printed and the July Board of Review will be July 22, 2014 at 2:00pm.

H. 5. Any Other New Business- none

I. PAYMENT OF BILLS- The township expenses were presented in the amount of \$20,390.04 in the general fund. John Shilling motioned to pay bills. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

J. SPECIAL REPORTS

J. 1. Zoning Administrator's Report- Zoning Administrator Amos Barnett reported he issued 7 permits for the month June.

J. 2. Branch County Commissioner's Report- Don Vrablic was absent.

J. 3. Algansee Library Report- Librarian Jan Clark emailed her report as follows- July 7, 2014 Report- Circulation 514, Attendance 428, Hours 84, Young Adult programs 3, Attendance 9, Juvenile programs 5, Attendance 18. These programs are not always on Wednesdays, whenever folks come in! Library computer use 155, Wireless 267, Books loaned to other Michigan Libraries 43, our patrons borrowed 16 books from Mel. Summer Reading programs 2, Attendance 52. The program featuring volcano's was held at Pine Ridge Bible Church because weather warnings were out, we only had 13 patrons, I could not be there, but I was told program was very good. This was a free program presented by WMU Natural Hazards. We appreciate the use of the Church. The next program was held here at the Library June 25th. Dynamic West Assemblies presented "Made in Michigan" featuring lots of animals, champion chickens, rabbit, and a handsome goat, who took the show. There were 39 here for this program, all enjoyed. Friends of Algansee served pudding and Jell-O cups along with some drinks. We have one more program, July 19th featuring the Alligator Sanctuary from Athens and the end of Summer Reading party July 26th. Good response for Summer Reading sign-up. I will give all details in July Report. The Friends of Algansee Library held a book sale June 28th, had to close down early because of storm rolling in. We made just enough money to buy a pop-up canopy for future programs, a really good buy on clearance!! Our winners for the candy jar count jar of buttons count and marble jar count won candy and gift card. All had fun with the counting. We will have another challenge in August for prizes. It was a busy fun month and more to come in July. Any questions or suggestions please stop by your Library or call 639-9830.

J. 4. Assessor's Report – Algansee Assessor Erica Ewers reported- GIS Pictometry (aerial mapping) is contracted with the City of Coldwater under the guidance of Chad Burke don't know about a fee, Register of Deeds Office sent a letter to Townships and Assessors stating June 30 was the last day they would be printing deeds and from here on out the Townships will be responsible for printing their own deeds. Warrants have been signed for summer tax collection. July Board of Review is July 22nd at 2:00pm, poverty exemptions are coming in again now that tax bills have gone out. Data entry is currently caught up for this year, still cleaning up items from last year, continuing to pick up at Equalization Building Inspection and Branch County Abstract & Title Office.

K. CORRESPONDENCE- Consumers Energy Public Hearing 7-15-14 at 9:00am and on 7-9-14 at 9:00am in Lansing. DEQ reports dredging on Tom Rzepka's at 291 S. Fremont Road and Mike Mischler's at 784 E. Channel Dr. is removing old stone wall and installing new wall.

L. PUBLIC COMMENT- Dennis Higbee reported Road Commission patched potholes on Lester Road.

M. NEXT REGULAR MEETING Monday, August 4, 2014 at 7:30pm,

N. Adjourn- Ann Strong motioned to adjourn. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:30pm.

Suzanne Preston, Algansee Township Clerk