

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- the ALGANSEE TOWNSHIP BOARD met at the Algansee Township Hall, 378 South Ray Quincy Road, Quincy, Michigan on Monday, April 2, 2007. Supervisor Erica Ewers called the March 5, 2007 meeting to order at 7:30p.m. 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 Susan Shilling, Tom Morgan, Fred Avra, Bill & Judy Jones, Mick Belcher & Mickey Rubley. Suzanne Preston led us in the pledge to the American Flag.

B. AGENDA- ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS- Suzanne Preston motioned to approve the agenda with the additions of under new business 3.a. Library, 3.b. Zoning Board of Appeals and L. Public Comment remove Annual Meeting. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT- none

D. MINUTES- Bill Avra motioned to accept the March 5, 2007 Algansee Township Meeting minutes. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

E. TREASURER'S REPORT-

E. 1. April Report- Treasurer Ann Strong reported the balance at last township meeting, March 5, 2007 was \$503,668.52, the township had income this past month of \$23,399.98 and the township had expenses this past month of \$25,927.27 giving the township a balance of \$501,141.23 for this month. The Clerk agrees. Suzanne Preston motioned to accept the April 2, 2007 Treasurer's report. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

E. 2. Winter Tax Collection- working on balancing then will turn into county.

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

F. 1. Quincy Fire Association – Supervisor Erica Ewers reported they didn't meet last month.

F. 2. Report from the Algansee Township Planning Commission - John Shilling reported they met once. They appointed Glenn Preston to represent the Planning Commission on the Zoning Appeals Board. They also discussed adding two more people to the Zoning Appeals Board.

F. 3. Report from Algansee Township Zoning Board of Appeals- Bill Avra reported they met once and had one workshop.

F. 4. Report from Algansee Township Building Committee- John Shilling motioned to have Bill Avra in charge of the building committee. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. Bill Avra said he would get estimates.

F. 5. Website (www.alganseetownship.com) - Supervisor Erica Ewers reported we need to get the township board hooked up to the website.

G. OLD BUSINESS

G. 1. Ordinance Violations & Barn Letters- Patti Knirk- Potter Rd, just south of Central Rd., Carmen Stout- 880 Hall Rd., Dennis Stout- 920 Hall Rd., Roger Van Lieu- 481 Philip Rd. main farm. Supervisor Erica Ewers said to take Josie Wineland off the barn letters list with her barn fire last Friday.

Junk Violations (New Guidelines in effect 12-15-06) - Civil Infractions- McConnell Estate/ William McCafferty- 837 Crauns Lane

Zoning Violations- Civil Infractions- Jim Burk- 195 S. Ray Quincy Rd. - final ruling received- must obtain zoning permit for \$25.

Injunctive Orders- Jacob Eicher- 507 Hammon Rd. - court date pending, Sam Girod Jr. - 671 S. Ray Quincy Rd.- court date pending.

Filed Appeals to Circuit Court against Alganssee Township- Harold Sneath- 251 Donnell Dr.- pre trial Hearing on January 9, dates set for layout of case: 1.) Attorney Loren provided documentation to Attorney Colbeck on Jan. 19th. 2.) Colbeck to submit brief by Feb 23- this was completed. 3.) Loren to submit our brief by March 23rd – this was completed. 4.) Oral arguments scheduled for April 12th at 1:30 p.m.

G. 2. Branch County Road Commission- Bill Avra motioned to have Briggs Rd. from Fisher Rd. to Lukesport Rd. chip and sealed for \$35,000. Support by John Shilling. Roll call vote John Shilling- yes, Bill Avra- yes, Ann Strong- yes, Suzanne Preston- yes and Erica Ewers- yes. Motion carried. Supervisor Erica Ewers said she would look into the cost of getting Briggs Rd. from Central Rd. to Briggs Rd. ready for chip and seal.

G. 3. Any Other Old Business

H. NEW BUSINESS

H. 1. Planning Commission – John Shilling motioned to accept the 3-26-07 Planning Commission minutes. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. The Planning Commission recommended having Glenn Preston’s appointment representing the Planning Commission be for one year. John Shilling motioned to have Greg Milliken come down for the April 16, 2007 Planning Commission workshop. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. The Planning Commission recommended the number of people serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals be increased to 5 members. Supervisor Erica Ewers said the Alganssee Township Zoning Ordinance needs to be changed to have the number of members on the Zoning Board of Appeals change.

H. 2. Branch County Land Use Ordinance- it came from the MSU Extension Office and none of the board has had a chance to read it. Supervisor Erica Ewers recommended we read it so it can be discussed at our May meeting.

H. 3.a. Library Plan of Service Agreement- Supervisor Erica Ewers said the wages per month that we pay to have a Librarian at the Alganssee Library Branch is going up about \$30 a month. Bill Avra motioned to approve the Library Plan of Service Agreement pay increase. Ann Strong supported the motion. Motion carried.

H. 3.b. Zoning Board of Appeals- Supervisor Erica Ewers said that Bill Avra’s term as the township board representative on the Zoning Board of Appeals is up in July. She would like to have all terms to expire in March so they all expire at the same time of the year. Suzanne Preston motioned to have Bill Avra be the township board representative on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Ann Strong supported the motion. Motion carried. Bill’s term is a three year term that will expire in March of 2010.

3. Any Other Business- none

I. Payment of Bills- Expenses were presented in the amount of \$41,383.70. John Shilling motioned to pay the bills. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

J. SPECIAL REPORTS

J. 1. Zoning Administrators Report- Russ reported he issued two zoning permits this last month.

J. 2. Branch County Commissioner's Report- Mickey Rubley gave us an update on the Branch County Commissioners.

J. 3. Algansee Library Report- Supervisor Erica Ewers reported Jan the Algansee Librarian gave her the library report for March which is as follows- attendance was 328, circulation was 781, hours open was 95 and internet use was 151.

J. 4. Assessor's Report - Supervisor Erica Ewers reported the 2007 assessing is turned into the County Equalization Department.

K. Correspondence- none

L. Public Comment- none

M. Next Meeting- next meeting will be on Monday, May 7, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Algansee Township Hall.

N. Adjournment- Bill Avra motioned to adjourn. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. Suzanne Preston, Clerk