

**ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. the ALGANSEE TOWNSHIP BOARD** met at the Algansee Township Hall, 378 South Ray Quincy Road, Quincy, Michigan. Members present were Supervisor Erica Ewers, Treasurer Ann Strong, Trustee Bill Avra, Trustee John Shilling and Clerk Suzanne Preston.

**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE-** Supervisor Erica Ewers called the meeting to order and Suzanne Preston led us in the pledge to the American flag.

**B. AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS-** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported that our township attorney wants to be at the end of the agenda and our township auditor will be here as soon as he is finished at the California township meeting. Suzanne Preston motioned to accept the agenda with those changes. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT-** none

**F. MINUTES-** Bill Avra motioned to accept the September 6, 2005 township board minutes. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

#### **G. TREASURER'S REPORT**

**G. 1. September Report-** Treasurer Ann Strong reported the August township balance was \$501,742.85, township had expenses of \$24,832.71 and township had income of \$24,117.69, giving the township a balance of \$501,027.83. The Clerk agrees. Suzanne Preston motioned to accept the September Treasurer's report. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried.

**G. 2. October Report-**Treasurer Ann Strong reported the September township balance was \$501,027.83; the township had expenses of \$9,909.30 and income of \$28,918.00 giving the township a balance of \$520,036.53. The clerk agrees. John Shilling motioned to accept the October Treasurer's report. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carries.

**G. 3. IRS Update-** Treasurer Ann Strong said she found out we are not getting penalties, but we still need a clarification as to what the bill was for. Supervisor Ewers said a couple months ago we approved the monies to pay this bill. Suzanne Preston wondered if we approved the monies for the new software for the Treasurer. Supervisor Ewers said we did approve the monies and wondered if the Treasurer could get a year to date budget printed off for next meeting. The Treasurer would like all bills by the last Wed. of each month.

#### **H. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**H. 1. Fire Association-** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported that all entities have approved the Quincy Fire Association Agreement. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

**H. 2. Planning and Zoning Commission Report-** John Shilling reported they have met once.

**H. 3. Zoning Board of Appeals-** Bill Avra reported their next meeting will be Oct. 11 at 7:00 p.m.

**E. AUDIT REPORT-** the township auditor David Locey reported on the township audit and said things have come a long ways in improving the book keeping of the township's Treasurer's office

**H. 4. Building Committee-** Supervisor Erica Ewers said she typed up what we discussed last meeting.

#### **I. OLD BUSINESS**

**I. 1. ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS- JUNK & ZONING- a. Girod, Girod, Schwartz & Schmucker-** we will discuss later in the meeting. **Mr. Reigle** has until the end of November to clean up junk. **Dodd** was sent a letter.

**I. 2. WEBSITE-** Supervisor Erica Ewers said she met with Fred Morgan of the Solomon Group and he had a few questions on what we wanted on the website. Supervisor Ewers wondered if the board had looked up Girard Twp- girardtownship.net or Coldwater City's- www.coldwater.org websites yet.

**BRANCH COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT-** deputy Roy Shutts gave us a report.

**I. 3. LIBRARY BUILDING SPACE LEASE CONTRACT-** Suzanne Preston motioned to accept the Library Building Space Lease Agreement with the wood family. Ann Strong supported the motion. Motion carried.

**I. 4. ANY OTHER OLD BUSINESS-** none

#### **J. NEW BUSINESS**

**J. 1. PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES-** Bill Avra motioned to accept the September 26, 2005 Algansee Township Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes as presented. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried. Supervisor Erica Ewers reported that John Lampman has torn down his old house and he needs to be refunded his money of \$4500. John Shilling motioned to pay John Lampman his \$4500. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

**J. 2. PERMIT FEE CLARIFICATION-** Supervisor Erica Ewers wanted a clarification about needing only one permit for several items if requesting the permit for more than one item all on the same day, same parcel and the same owner. It is not necessary to get 2 permits on the same day when you have all the information needed. Suzanne Preston motioned to refund Jeff Ewers \$25 for paying for 2 permits on the same day, same parcel. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. Bill Avra motioned charge one zoning fee for same day, same parcel, and same owner and to establish a 7 day period to make any changes to your permit before needing to purchase another permit. Support by Suzanne Preston. Motion carried.

**J. 3. ANY OTHER NEW BUSINESS-** none

**K. PAYMENT OF BILLS-** Bills were presented in the amount of \$30,057.91. John Shilling motioned to pay the bills. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried.

#### **L. SPECIAL REPORTS**

**L. 1. ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT-** Russ Jennings reported he had issued 5 permits in the month of September, 1 of them being a new home.

**L. 2. BRANCH COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S REPORT-** no report.

**L. 3. ALGANSEE LIBRARY REPORT-** no report

**L. 4. ASSESSOR'S REPORT-** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported she is working through everything.

**M. CORRESPONDENCES-** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported we got correspondences from FEMA is redoing the flood plain plan, Aquilla is changing its name, Debbie Stabenow update, MTA workshops

**N. PUBLIC COMMENT-** Pricilla Dodd wondered about monies available for the Planning Commission.

**O. NEXT MEETING-** Supervisor Erica Ewers reported the next meeting will be on Monday, November 7, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at the Algansee Township Hall.

**C. ATTORNEY CHUCK LILLIS-** 9:00 p.m. Supervisor Erica Ewers requested a closed session with our attorney. Suzanne Preston motioned to go into closed session to discuss in the pending litigation with Girod, Schwartz, Schwartz and Schmucker cases. Support by Ann Strong. Roll call vote- Suzanne Preston- yes, Ann Strong- yes, John Shilling- yes, Bill Avra- yes, and Erica Ewers- yes. Ann Strong motioned to go into open session. Support by Suzanne Preston. Motion carried. 9:45 p.m.

**ADJOURN-** Ann Strong motioned to adjourn. Support by Bill Avra. Motion carried. Adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Suzanne Preston, Clerk