

**ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MAY 13, 2008 MINUTES**

The Special Meeting of the Ross Township Board was called to order by Jeff Bither, Supervisor at 7:00 P.M. Roll Call of members showed as follows:

Present:	Jeff Bither, Supervisor	Cynthia Genung, Treasurer
	Martha Chambers, Clerk	Diana Langshaw, Trustee
	Owen Murray, Trustee	Sid Durham, Trustee
Absent:	Jon Scott, Trustee	

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Murray to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Durham and **carried**.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Motion by Genung to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the Treasurer's Report, the minutes from 4/8/2008 and 4/15/2008, bills paid for April and bills payable for May. The motion was seconded by Durham and **carried**.

Presentations:

Jase Bolger was present to introduce himself as he is running for State Representative.

Committee Reports:

Fire Dept.:

Genung reported that the Fire Board will meet next week.

Ordinance Enforcement Report:

Bither reviewed the Ordinance Enforcement Report from AGS dated 5/1/08.

Police Report:

Bither reviewed the April Police Report from the Sheriff's Dept.

Planning Commission Report:

Langshaw reported that the P/C will hold a Public Hearing on June 4th regarding signing, districts and lighting. There will be no May meeting for the P/C.

Public Comment:

Roy & Ann Kemppainen questioned what progress has been made on the dock issue. Bither stated that due process is slow and everything has been done to this point, letters have been written for Kerman's to get in compliance. Kemppainens feel that there has been an expansion of the dock and that it is not a dock but a deck on water. Ms. Kemppainen feels that

there is a conflict of interest in that nothing has been done on their complaint and wants the Board to investigate. Chambers stated that Kemppainen must state in writing what they feel the conflict is and request the Board to investigate.

Sherman Lake YMCA Resolution Approval:

The Sherman Lake YMCA is requesting that the Board approve a Resolution recognizing them as a nonprofit organization in order for them to obtain a license from the State. Board members had several questions about the request and after a phone call it was determined that the event is a golf outing to be held on 6/23/08 and they propose to sell raffle tickets for \$25 each and to hold the raffle they must obtain a permit from the State.

Motion by Durham to approve a Resolution recognizing the Sherman Lake YMCA as a nonprofit organization for the purpose of obtaining a license. The motion was seconded by Murray. Roll Call of members showed as follows: Langshaw – aye, Durham – aye, Bither – aye, Chambers – aye, Murray – aye and Genung – aye. The motion was unanimously **accepted**.

Dust Control Contract:

Motion by Genung, second by Murray to do continuous application for dust control as follows: 4 ton @ 6.34.5 per mile. The motion was amended to include not to exceed 784.90. per mile and the motion **carried**.

Approval for Road Dollars:

Motion by Genung to chip seal Shoal Rd. (37th St. to W. Gull Lake Dr.) in the amount of \$2,040. and to chip seal “D” Ave. (39th St. to 40th St.) not to exceed \$30,000. The motion was seconded by Murray and carried with all ayes.

Fire Works Permits:

Bill Fayling was present to discuss fire works i.e. types of fireworks and various permit requirements, licensing and insurance requirements. Fayling would like to have a fireworks display for his Mother’s birthday on Saturday. After much discussion, the Board requested that Fayling complete the fireworks permit and get the insurance papers plus his licensing permit plus meet the Fire Chief at the display site for his input, submit all the above information on Wednesday. The Board will schedule a Special Meeting on Thursday to review the materials and perhaps we can issue a permit for Saturday based also on the fact that the display will be on the farm property and they will have a 400’ plus set back.

Durham and Murray will work on a list of regulations and guidelines for future firework displays.

Approval of Dangerous Buildings Ordinance:

Motion by Genung to approve the Dangerous Buildings Ordinance as proposed. The motion was seconded by Murray and was unanimously **accepted**.

Resolution to Refund of Special Assessment Surplus for Sherman Lake Weed Control:

Motion by Durham, second by Langshaw to approve a Resolution to refund special assessment surplus for Sherman Lake Weed Control Project. Roll Call Vote showed: Langshaw – aye, Durham – aye, Bither – aye, Chambers – aye, Murray – aye and Genung – aye. The motion was **unanimously accepted**.

Time Schedule for Ross Twp. Fire House Renovation Project:

Murray drafted a proposed timetable schedule for consideration by the Twp. Board for the Ross Twp. Fire House Office Renovation Project. A The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Martha Chambers
Ross Township Clerk