

MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 7, 2009
MEETING OF
WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm by Supervisor Doug Byas. Board members present, in addition to the Supervisor were: Clerk Nancy Mulder-Paul, Treasurer Carolyn L. Wise, Trustees Larry Bennett and Barb Thole. In addition to the Board, two citizens were present, Mr. Ed Woodhams and Lieutenant Gail F. Sampsell.

Supervisor Byas suspended regular business and Lt. Sampsell from the Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Department discussed the quarterly crime statistics for Wakeshma Township. At 7:40 regular business resumed.

Minutes from the November 2, 2009 meeting were presented to each Board member prior to the meeting. Trustee Thole motioned to accept the minutes and was seconded by Treasurer Wise. Voice vote, passed.

Clerk Mulder-Paul presented a bill of monthly payments in the amount of \$12,424.79. Trustee Thole motioned to accept the Clerk's report and to pay the bills. The motioned was seconded by Trustee Wise. Voice vote, passed.

Treasurer Wise reported to the Board the following amounts: Tax Checking-\$328.23, Tax Savings-\$6,368.04, General Checking-\$17,626.18 and General Savings-\$47,141.15. Clerk Mulder-Paul motioned to accept the Treasurer's report and Trustee Thole supported. Voice vote, passed

CORRESPONDENCE – none

ZONING ORDINANCE REPORT- Supervisor Byas informed the Board that the 90 day extension granted on the 42nd Street property had resulted in little if any work being done to comply with the order issued on May 4, 2009. Supervisor Byas will discuss legal actions with the Township attorney

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS-none

FIRE AUTHORITY UPDATE- Supervisor Byas discussed the 2010 Budget for the Fire Authority. The Township will see a decrease of \$286.76 per month in the coming fiscal year. A motion to accept the new AKFA budget was made by Treasurer Wise and seconded by Clerk Mulder-Paul. Voice vote, passed.

OLD BUSINESS-The Board discussed the upcoming Assessor employment status which will begin in 2010. Option #1 with a 25/75% split between Statutory work and Contracted employment was discussed by the Board. The Board decided to table the final decision until the January Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS- Supervisor Byas shared with the Board a bid for stump removal. After discussion the Board recommended that more bids were needed before a final decision could be made.

Supervisor Byas and Clerk Mulder-Paul informed the Board that the Township office had updated the phones with more modern features through AT&T.

The Health and Community Service contract for household hazardous waste was brought to the Boards attention. Supervisor Byas requested that Treasurer Wise and Clerk Mulder-Paul call HHW for a clearer idea of the funding requirement for 2010.

CITIZEN COMMENTS- Ed Woodhams discussed the extension of the Wakeshma Township Master Plane (Land Use) to extend the existing Master Plan 1990-2010-2010-2030.

BOARD COMMENTS-none

Motion to adjourn was made by Treasurer Wise and was supported by Clerk Mulder-Paul. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Mulder-Paul