

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor McIntyre. Members present: Andersen, Brown, Crosby, Davis, Krygier, McIntyre and Porter. Members absent: None. Also present: seven spectators.
2. Public Comment: Henry Greeb (11 Mile Rd.) thanked the township for the tree trimming done by KCRC on 11 Mile Rd.
3. Motion by Krygier, Porter supported, to approve the revised agenda, adding item 3A Budget Amendments. CARRIED.
- 3A. Budget Amendments: Two departments in the 2006-07 budget are over budget, Elections and Cemetery. Motion by Davis, Brown supported, to increase the Elections budget by \$400.00 and the Cemetery budget by \$4,500.00, to be transferred from Contingency. CARRIED.
4. Consent Agenda: Motion by Porter, Andersen supported, to approve the Consent Agenda. CARRIED.
  - A. Approval of Minutes – November 1, 2006 Regular Board meeting.
  - B. Treasurer's Report /Approval of bills for payment – General Fund, Sewer, and Fire Department.
5. Supervisor's Report/Building Permits/Correspondence: Building permits were issued in October for 4 new residences @ \$533,000 and in November for 4 new residences @ \$654,000. McIntyre was asked by Jim and Jo Morris (Berrigan Ave.) if the township would like to purchase approximately 1.5 acres of their property to add to the township property along the southern boundary. Board members did not feel this would be enough to be of use to the proposed park. McIntyre also received a poinsettia plant from Triangle Construction, contractors for the NKSA sewer plant. NKSA: Krygier reported that NKSA is seeking to refinance current bonds to reduce interest rates and payments. The NKSA is contesting the Grand Rapids sewer rate increase. The rate on the new bonds is lower than expected. Brown stated that the Cedar Springs Parks & Recreation Committee meeting was postponed until December 11. Andersen reported that the Courtland Park Committee met on November 8<sup>th</sup>, and since then a letter has been sent to Roger Sabine of the Kent County Parks Commission and to our County Commissioner Roger Morgan inquiring about plans for the future of Myers Lake County Park. Committee member Carol Shaw stated that the health department would like to see our park plan to determine whether a separate septic system and drain field would be needed for the township park. Member Hank Greeb presented information he gathered regarding parks in Algoma and Oakfield Townships. Algoma Township used grant money from the State in addition to township funds, while Oakfield Township used township funds and donations. Carol Shaw stated she would like to see extra revenue sharing funds from our mid-decade census put toward the park. McIntyre stated the township should do something to give back to the community. Motion by Porter, Krygier supported, to bid out Phase 1 of the park plan, including a ball field. CARRIED. Andersen suggested the committee meet to tweak the plan before taking bids.
6. Fire Board Report: Chief Mickey Davis reported 22 runs in November. The Fire Board received two bids on drilling a new well for filling trucks at station #2, and recommended accepting the bid from Thompson Well Drilling for \$18,150.00. It also recommended accepting the bid from G&D Electric (\$1,800.00) for the electrical hook-up for the well. Motion by J. Davis, Porter supported, to accept the bids as recommended by the Fire Board. CARRIED. Chief Davis was notified that we would not receive a FEMA grant this year. The next project for the department will be a warning siren at station #2, and Chief Davis is checking into costs. A generator for station #2 for use during power outages is also on the list of goals. Chief Davis is in the process of updating the township street map for use by the department.

Fire Board member Martin Patterson has resigned, and two applications were received to fill the vacancy. Porter moved, Andersen supported, to appoint Doug Haskell to the Fire Board. CARRIED. Porter thanked Mr. Patterson for his service on the Fire Board. Patterson would still like to encourage more residents to put up the reflective green and white address signs to help fire and ambulance personnel locate the scene of an emergency more quickly.
7. Zoning Board of Appeals Report: Andersen reported that the Cutler (Brower Lake Dr.) variance was approved. One request was received for December.
8. Planning Commission Report: Jerry Davis reported that a second Public Hearing on the Hidden Shores water ski lake project will be held on December 19. A demonstration of the noise level of the boats to be used was held at Murray Lake on November 26 with four Planning Commission members in attendance.
9. North Kent Transit Service 2006-07 Vendor Contract: Motion by Andersen, Brown supported, to approve the North Kent Transit Service 2006-07 contract. CARRIED.

10. Board of Review Appointments: Motion by Brown, Krygier supported, to reappoint Royce Hammer, Andy Hagenow and Martin Patterson to the Board of Review. CARRIED.

11. Sewer Rate Adjustment: McIntyre presented figures showing that sewer operation costs have been higher than income for the past three years, and stated that at the current quarterly rate of \$90.00, revenues for the coming year would not cover costs either. He proposed an increase of \$10.00 per quarter. Andersen commented on the high cost for residents in the sewer district, herself included. McIntyre reminded the board that the cost would be higher if we remained with the City of Grand Rapids, and that we will have more control over operations and rates as part of the NKSA plant. Motion by Krygier, Porter supported, to increase the quarterly sewer usage rates by \$10.00, for a total of \$100.00 per quarter, effective immediately. CARRIED.

12. Board Member Comments: Registration for the MTA Conference in January is due by December 15.

As there was no further business to be considered, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Submitted by,

Marilynn Crosby, Clerk