

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor McIntyre. Members present: Andersen, Crosby, Davis, Krygier, McIntyre and Porter. Members absent: Brown. Also present: five spectators. The meeting was rescheduled from February 6th due to inclement weather.

Public Hearing: McIntyre opened the public hearing for Community Development Block Grant Funds at 7:03 PM. Crosby suggested that \$7,133.00, the same amount as last year, be allocated to North Kent Transit (Hope Network) this year for transportation for the disabled and elderly. Discussion followed on the lack of opportunities for us to use our block grant funds, and whether funds could be used for handicap accessibility for the township park. Public Hearing was closed at 7:07 PM. Motion by Crosby, Porter supported, to allocate \$7,133.00 of Community Development Block Grant Funds to North Kent Transit (Hope Network). CARRIED 6-0.

2. Public Comment: None.

3. Motion by Andersen, Krygier supported to approve the agenda. CARRIED.

4. Consent Agenda: Motion by Crosby, Krygier supported, to approve the Consent Agenda. CARRIED.

A. Approval of Minutes – January 2, 2008 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 January for two new residences @ \$222,000. McIntyre asked Board members to look over the 2008-09 budget worksheet for discussion at the March meeting. A report was received from Brandon Mieras of Williams & Works regarding the flushing of the sewer lines. Some blockage still remains. The new lift station pumps are not sufficient and will be replaced by the manufacturer. We received a letter from the City of Rockford asking for our support for their request to keep the 63rd District Court in Rockford. Supervisor McIntyre, Zoning Administrator Buckley and Planning Commission Chair McConnon met with a representative from Allen Edwin Homes regarding building homes in the Courtland Crossings MHC. McIntyre received the quarterly report from the Kent County Sheriffs Department of crime statistics for the township. Rep. Tom Pearce will hold a meeting with local government officials on February 22nd at Plainfield Township. The new rate study is complete for NKSA, and Courtland's share is 1.77%. Construction of the wastewater treatment plant is still on schedule.

Porter reported that GVMC is assisting in the organization of a lower Grand River Watershed district covering the river from Portland to Lake Michigan. McIntyre stated that a Maranda's Park Party will be held in Cedar Springs this summer as part of the Cedar Springs Parks and Recreation program. Andersen reported that the Rockford Area Community Endowment has sold over 300 bricks for the Recognition Plaza in Peppler Park. Courtland still needs to nominate a significant historical figure from the township for the column of honor. She will check on the submission deadline.

6. Fire Board Report: Chief Mickey Davis reported 30 runs for January. Two firefighters have successfully completed first responder school. The pancake breakfast is coming up in March.

7. Zoning Board of Appeals Report: No meeting in January, one request received for February.

8. Planning Commission Report: Jerry Davis reported that the rezoning request for property on 14 Mile Road was tabled, and a Public Hearing for site plan review and Special Land Use for ball fields for the township park will be held on February 19.

The Commission recommended that the Board adopt Ordinance No. 2008-02: Amendment to Extension of Variance Expiration. Motion by Davis, Crosby supported, to adopt Ordinance 2008-02. CARRIED 6-0.

9. Request for Mechanical and Plumbing Fee Increases: Imperial Municipal Services has asked for fee increases for plumbing and mechanical permits and inspections. There have been no increases in these fees since 1991. Motion by Krygier, Andersen supported, to table the request for more information. CARRIED.

10. Resolution 2008-01: Policy and Guidelines for Granting Poverty Exemptions. Motion by Andersen, Porter supported, to adopt Resolution 2008-01. POLLED VOTE: YES-ALL.

11. Proposal for Purchase of Property: Merrill and Mildred Post have offered to sell five acres of land adjoining the Courtland Township Cemetery for \$60,000.00. Motion by Davis, Porter supported, to purchase the property from the Posts for \$60,000.00. POLLED VOTE: Ayes – Porter, Davis; Nays – McIntyre, Andersen, Krygier, Crosby. MOTION DENIED.

12. Board Member Comments: After some informal discussion, no action was taken on the request from the City of Rockford regarding the 63rd District Court.

As there was no further business to be considered, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 P.M.

Submitted by,

Marilynn Crosby, Clerk