

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor McIntyre. Members present: Andersen, Brown, Crosby, Davis, Kinney, McIntyre and Porter. Members absent: None. Also present: six spectators.
2. Public Comment: None.
3. Motion by Andersen, Kinney supported, to approve the agenda. CARRIED.
4. Consent Agenda: Motion by Porter, Kinney supported, to approve the Consent Agenda. CARRIED.
 - A. Approval of Minutes – February 3, 2010 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 February for 3 new residences @ \$448,000. Cemetery Committee: Kinney presented a draft of rules and regulations which included input from our sexton, John Venman. The committee will also try to get input from residents who expressed interest in revising the rules. NKSA: No meeting in March. Davis stated that Prein & Newhof presented their Inflow and Infiltration report on storm water entering the sanitary sewer system at the February meeting. There will be a slight increase in Courtland's percentage of treatment costs due to the closing of the Wolverine Tannery in Rockford. Davis and McIntyre will meet with Cannon and Plainfield officials again on March 10 regarding lift station upgrades. GVMC: Porter stated that Grand Valley State University has asked to join the Metro Council, and that they may be eligible for membership as a member-at-large. Cedar Springs Parks: Brown reported that Maranda's Park Party will take place on June 24, and that the committee is looking into holding a 3-on-3 basketball tournament in conjunction with Red Flannel Days. Rockford Community Endowment: A notice appeared in the Squire advertising for nominees for the pillar of honor. Andersen stated that the committee requires the nominees to be from the Rockford Public School district, even though the member townships include other school districts.
6. Fire Board Report: Chief Mickey Davis reported 21 runs for February. The annual firemen's pancake breakfast will be held on March 27. Chief Davis presented two firefighter applications that have been recommended by the Fire Board: Jennifer Lund and Ernest Lange. Motion by Jerry Davis, Brown supported, to hire Jennifer Lund and Ernest Lange as firefighters. CARRIED. Chief Davis stated that the Fire Board would like to install another emergency siren. Township Board members recommended that Chief Davis begin looking for a site. The Fire Board also recommended an increase in longevity pay for firefighters who have served 5, 10, 15 and 20 years on the department. Township Board members felt the longevity pay scale should be returned to the Fire Board for further consideration, and would like to see the hourly run pay increased rather than the longevity pay. Chief Davis also reported that the Fire Board is working on its 2010-11 budget, including repaving the parking lot at Station #1, installing a system for filling air tanks, and earmarking funds to put toward the purchase of a new county fire truck in 2015.
7. Zoning Board of Appeals Report: No February meeting.
8. Planning Commission Report: No February meeting.
9. Salary Resolutions: After some discussion, it was decided that all salaries would remain the same as the last two years. Resolution 2010-03: Motion by Crosby, Brown supported, to establish the Supervisor's salary at \$25,000 beginning April 1, 2010. ADOPTED, All Ayes. Resolution 2010-04: Motion by Brown, Porter supported, to establish the Treasurer's salary at \$29,500 beginning April 1, 2010. ADOPTED, All Ayes. Resolution 2010-05: Motion by Davis, Porter supported, to establish the Clerk's salary at \$29,500 beginning April 1, 2010. ADOPTED, All Ayes. Resolution 2010-06: Motion by Davis, Crosby supported, to establish the Trustees' salaries at \$4,500 beginning April 1, 2010. ADOPTED, All Ayes.
10. Bid for Legal Publications – Advance Newspapers: Motion by Porter, Brown supported, to accept the bid for legal publications for April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011 from Advance Newspapers. CARRIED.
11. Bid for Fall Clean-Up – J&S Services: Motion by Brown, Crosby supported, to accept the bid from J&S Services for the fall clean-up on September 16, 17, 18, 2010. CARRIED.
12. Bid for Cemetery Maintenance/Grave Openings – Venman's Landscape Service: Motion by Brown, Porter supported, to accept the bid from Venman's Landscape Service for cemetery maintenance and grave openings, with certain areas being recommended for additional work. CARRIED.

13. Budget Discussion – Fiscal Year 2010-11. Due to the increased cost of worker’s compensation insurance, an amendment to the fiscal year 2009-10 budget is needed. Motion by Crosby, Andersen supported, to transfer \$4,000 from Contingency to Other Township Functions-Insurance and Bonds. CARRIED. Discussion took place regarding the proposed 2010-11 budget, adding additional monies for paving the south drive in the cemetery, mowing and tree cutting on the property adjacent to the township hall, and additional park improvements.

14. Board Member Comments: Kinney reported that the Kent County MTA chapter is looking into bids for bulk discounts for supplies purchased by the townships.

As there was no further business to be considered, the meeting was adjourned at 9:19 P.M.

Submitted by,

Marilynn Crosby, Clerk