

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

Courtland Township

May 4, 2005

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Supervisor James McIntyre. Board members Andersen, Brown, Crosby, Davis, Krygier and Porter were present. Fifteen spectators were also present.
2. Public Comment: Lt. John O'Rourke, Kent County Sheriff Department, spoke on the community policing officer program that Courtland and Algoma Townships have been inquiring into. Of the eight townships in northern Kent County, Algoma and Courtland Townships have the most calls, over 300 calls in Courtland Township since January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year. The proposal is for a one year contract, in partnership with Algoma Township, for one community policing officer, working 40 hours per week, at a cost of approximately \$45,000.00 per year per township.
3. Motion by Porter, Krygier supported, to approve the agenda with the addition of NIMS Resolution No. 2005-17 to item #8 and KCRC Authorization for 11 Mile Rd. to item #9. CARRIED.
4. Consent Agenda: Motion by Davis, Brown supported, to approve the Consent Agenda with a correction to item #7 Planning Commission, of the April 6, 2005 minutes. Andersen corrected her comment about the "public hearing" for Country Fresh to read "public discussion". Included were the minutes of the April 6, 2005 Regular Board meeting; the Treasurer's report with April General Fund disbursements of \$44,207.85; Fire Department disbursements of \$17,112.89; Sewer Op & Main Fund disbursements of \$29,388.90. CARRIED.
5. Supervisor's Report/Building Permits/Correspondence: Building permits were issued in April for five new residences @ \$563,000.00, bringing the 2005 total to 39 homes, up two from 2004. Upcoming meetings: The NKSA meeting on May 5, 2005 has been cancelled. May 13 is the date for the annual Kent County administrative meeting with local government units. Community Development has informed us that we can no longer use our Block Grant funds for Rockford Ambulance projects.
6. Zoning Board of Appeals: Andersen reported that the McClure (Brower Ct.) setback variance was denied. No requests were received for May.
7. Planning Commission: Jerry Davis reported that the Commission recommended approval of the Special Land Use for a driving range for Braeside golf course. Jim Doezema and Mark Hamersma were present for Braeside. Motion by Andersen, Brown supported, to approve the site plan and Special Land Use for the driving range at Braeside golf course with conditions as stated by the Planning Commission. CARRIED.  
The Commission also recommended rezoning an additional portion of the Gilbert property at 10704 Northland Dr. from R-R to C-Commercial. George Gilbert, owner of Carpets Plus, stated he would like to add on to the rear of his current building and needs additional property zoned Commercial in order to do so. Motion by Davis, supported by Krygier, to adopt Ordinance No. 05-02 to Rezone Property at 10704 Northland Dr. from R-R Rural-Residential to C-Commercial. POLLED VOTE: YES-ALL.  
Mr. Gilbert also requested a Special Land Use for sand removal from the same property. The Commission recommended approval. Motion by Porter, Davis supported, to approve the Special Land Use for sand removal with a July 1, 2005 deadline, as recommended by the Planning Commission. CARRIED.
8. Fire Board: Chief Mickey Davis reported that there were 29 runs for April. On May 12 the biannual physicals will be given to half of the firefighters. NIMS Resolution No. 2005-17: The Department of Homeland Security is now requiring compliance with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) in order to receive federal grants, both local and county wide. Motion by Andersen, supported by Krygier, to table the resolution until the Fire Board has reviewed it. CARRIED.
9. KCRC Blanket Permit for Sewer Work in Right-of-Way: Motion by Crosby, Krygier supported, to approve the blanket permit for work needed in the road right-of-way. CARRIED.  
KCRC Authorization for 11 Mile Rd.: Motion by Brown, Porter supported, to authorize the paving of 11 Mile Rd. from Parmeter Ave. to Ramsdell Dr., the township's portion of the cost being \$192,500.00. CARRIED.
10. Community Sheriff Patrol: Motion by Andersen, Krygier supported, to have Board members Porter, McIntyre and Crosby meet with Algoma Township Board members to discuss sharing a community police officer between the two townships. CARRIED.
11. Illicit Discharge and Connection Ordinance: To regulate non-storm water discharges to the storm water drainage system. Motion by Andersen, Crosby supported, to adopt Illicit Discharge and Connection Ordinance, No. 05-03. POLLED VOTE: YES-ALL.

12. Board Member Comments: Crosby reported that turnout for the May 3 election in Courtland Township was 9.8%. Jerry Davis reported that he was appointed to the Rockford Ambulance Board and attended his first meeting.

As there was no further business to be considered, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Submitted by,

Marilynn Crosby, Clerk