

CALL TO ORDER: 7 p.m. by Supervisor Paterek

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Smith, Goetzinger, Swiacki, LeMieux, Paterek

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

MINUTES:

Swiacki moved Goetzinger seconded to approve regular meeting minutes of August 12, 2015 as presented.

Motion CARRIED

SET/AMEND AGENDA: LeMieux moved Swiacki seconded to approve agenda as amended: Under correspondence & information add: a) Fire Chief – Advisory committee interview schedule, b) SAFER Grant employees, c) LED lighting update. Under New Business, add: j) Blake’s signage agreement.

Motion CARRIED

CURRENT BILLS: Swiacki moved Paterek seconded to approve bills as presented:

Previously paid bills: \$ 23,158.59 – township check #24019 thru #24043, fire check #13271 thru #13282

Payroll checks \$ 56,988.48 – check #13757, thru #13848

Current list of bills of \$ 24,517.76 - township check #24044 thru #24060 and fire check #13282 thru #13309

Tax account bills of \$ 322,490.86 – check #2182 through check #2193

Trust & agency bills: \$ 640.00 - check #2723 through 2725

TOTAL bills: \$ 427,795.69.

Ayes: LeMieux, Smith, Goetzinger, Swiacki, Paterek

Motion CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items: Monica Job.

CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION:

Fire Chief – Advisory committee interview schedule: Supervisor Paterek stated that he would like to tentatively call the committee to meet Thursday, September 17 at 6 p.m. at the Armada Township Hall. We had 19 applicants.

SAFER Grant employees: Clerk Swiacki stated that SAFER Grant is for two years for \$224,000 for two full time fire fighters/paramedics effective September 15. A special meeting will be necessary prior to the 15th to hire the two full time firefighter/paramedics.

LED street lighting update: Trustee LeMieux stated that the contract from DTE has to be approved by attorney and is being reviewed.

REPORTS:

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| ◦ Fire Department | Nick Walkowski |
| ◦ Code Official | Shannon Murray |
| ◦ Planning Commission | Dennis LeMieux |
| ◦ Building Department | Christine White |
| ◦ Macomb Agricultural P.D.R. | No report |
| ◦ Parks & Recreation | Gary Goedtel |
| ◦ Water/Sewer Update | John Paterek |
| ◦ Macomb Orchard Trail | Al Goetzinger |
| ◦ Senior Center | Jan Mueller |

Swiacki moved Paterek seconded to receive and file reports as presented.

Motion CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

McPhall & Bordman properties: Treasurer Smith noted the winter and summer taxes on each parcel. We cannot change the status of qualified agricultural until next year; this will avoid paying the school operating tax.

Smith moved Paterek seconded to designate Bordman Road 8.5 acres to be used as farming and to put bids out for lease. **Motion CARRIED**

Smith moved Swiacki seconded to put McPhall Road 10.45 acres out to bid to be used as farming. **Motion CARRIED**

NEW BUSINESS:

Contract for Assessing services: Paterek moved Swiacki seconded to approve assessing contract from Sanilac Appraisers, Inc. as presented with a 1.6% increase from \$2,981 to \$3,029 a month.

Ayes: Smith, Swiacki, Goetzinger, LeMieux, Paterek

General Fund: 2015/16 budget amendment: Swiacki moved LeMieux seconded to approve budget amendment as presented:

Line item # 980-013 Sewer-Engineering/Permits move \$500 to line # 371-959 Building- refunds

Line item # 980-013 Sewer-Engineering/Permits move \$1000 to line # 980-012 Phone system.

Ayes: Swiacki, Smith, LeMieux, Goetzinger, Paterek **Motion CARRIED**

Fire Fund: 2015/16 budget amendment: Swiacki moved Smith seconded to approve budget amendment as presented:

Line item # 336-701 Chief Salary move \$800 to line #336-803 Audit/accounting

(Additional audit caused shortage in accounting line item).

Ayes: LeMieux, Swiacki, Goetzinger, Smith, Paterek

Telephone system: Swiacki moved Paterek seconded to accept bid for \$5,785 for a new telephone system from Business Communication Systems as presented.

Ayes: Swiacki, Smith, LeMieux, Goetzinger, Paterek **Motion CARRIED**

Telecommunications Right-of-Way resolution (METRO Act): Swiacki moved Paterek seconded to METRO Act permit with the following conditions per attorney recommendations:

1. That the names of all contractors and subcontractors involved in the construction, maintenance and operation of the applicant's facilities in the public rights-of-way be supplied prior to the issuance of any permit to construct.

2. Fiber Technologies Networks, L.L.C. and the Township agree that before any actual construction may occur and before the issuance of a construction permit, The Township Engineer in consultation with Fiber Technologies Networks, L.L.C. will determine the reasonable amount of any surety bond necessary to ensure that the Township's rights-of-way are returned to their original condition. This bond shall be in place for the term of the construction and shall be terminated upon completion of the construction and review of the restoration by the Township Engineer.

Ayes: Smith, Paterek, Goetzinger, LeMieux, Swiacki **Motion CARRIED**

Macomb Orchard Trail: Swiacki moved Goetzinger seconded to approve invoice from the Macomb County Finance for 2015 Orchard Trail Maintenance of \$5,000 and 2015 Membership fee for \$2,000 for a total of \$7,000 as presented.

Ayes: Goetzinger, Smith, Swiacki, LeMieux, Paterek **Motion CARRIED**

Auditor report: Paterek moved Swiacki seconded to accept report as presented by Lehn King.

Ayes: Smith, Goetzinger, Swiacki, LeMieux, Paterek **Motion CARRIED**

Administrative Policies & Procedures: Treasurer and Clerk will begin to review current policies and procedures and report monthly back to the board.

New Pitney Bowes Agreement: Swiacki moved Smith seconded to approve agreement for 60 months (5 years) at a cost of \$30.79 each month as presented and to have clerk sign and return agreement.

Ayes: Goetzinger, Swiacki, LeMieux, Smith, Paterek

Motion CARRIED

Blake's signage agreement: Supervisor Paterek explained that once the overlay district was put in place based on our sign ordinance there's a volume of signs at Blake's on Armada Center, both emergency, directional signs, etc., that are not in compliance with our sign ordinance. The concern was that signs were changed even with the original Blake's complex activities were going on there that the township continually had to catch up as they were moving fast as a business. We would find out we need a permit or inspection along the way as the project already started which is where we came up with the overlay district to bring them into compliance with the rules. Supervisor spoke to Paul, Pete and Andrew about the signs and they need to follow policies. The planning commission was concerned about lighting and signs at Blake's as well. The board discussed traffic at Blake's. Trustee LeMieux mentioned the lighting is on at Blake's late at night. Supervisor will work with Attorney to draft a letter for Blake's and forward to the board for review.

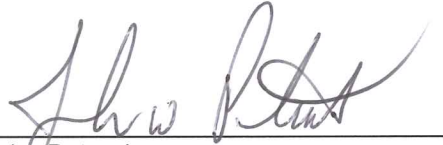
PUBLIC COMMENT: Jessie Kanehl, Camille Finlay, Monica Job.

ADJOURNMENT: Paterek moved Swiacki seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Motion CARRIED



Mary K. Swiacki
Armada Township Clerk



John Paterek
Supervisor

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