ARMADA TOWNSHIP BOARD 23121 East Main Armada, MI 48005

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 12, 2012

7:00 p.m.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Smith, Paterek, Goetzinger and Swiacki

MEMBERS ABSENT: LeMieux

MINUTES: Swiacki moved Smith seconded to approve regular meeting minutes

of November 14, 2012 as presented.

Motion CARRIED

SET/AMEND AGENDA: Swiacki moved Smith seconded to amend agenda: Under Correspondence/ Information add: A) Blake's Orchard. Remove – Under New Business: n) Senior Center: Entrance door. Add – Under New Business: q) Fire Department: SAFER Grant, r) Fire Department: Grant consulting service.

Motion CARRIED

CURRENT BILLS: Swiacki moved Smith seconded, to approve the previously paid bills of \$73,403.66 – township checks #22373 thru #22423, fire checks #11975 thru #12015, the payroll checks of \$48,781.14 – check #10688, thru #10704 and the current list of bills of \$2,881.31, township checks #22424 thru #22430 and fire checks #12016 thru 12022 for a total of \$128,546.11 as presented.

Ayes: Smith, Paterek, Goetzinger, Swiacki

Motion CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS:

CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION:

a) Blake's Orchard: Andrew and Paul Blake presented information to the township board that they would like to diversify their current agri-business and add wine tasting/making to the business. They are seeking township approval for a small wine maker's license before applying to the state. A special meeting will need to be set for township approval to move forward.

REPORTS:

Fire Department
Code Enforcer
Planning Commission
Building Department
Macomb Agricultural P.D.R.
Parks & Recreation
Water Main Update
Steve Jerzewski
John Paterek

Mary Swiacki
Christine White
D.J. Kehrig
Gary Goedtel
John Paterek

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

Motion CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Township board meeting dates for 2013: Swiacki moved Goetzinger seconded to approve 2013 township board meeting dates as presented and to publish accordingly. **Motion CARRIED**

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General & fire budget meeting dates for 2013-2014: Swiacki moved Goetzinger seconded to approve meeting dates as presented.

Thursday, January 17 – 10 a.m.

Wednesday, January 23 – 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, February 20 – 7-9 p.m.

If needed Wednesday, February 27 – 7-9 p.m.

Motion CARRIED

Planning Commission meeting dates for 2013: Swiacki moved Smith seconded to approve 2013
Planning Commission meeting dates as presented.

Motion CARRIED

Appointment: ZBA – Board Liaison: Paterek moved Swiacki seconded to appoint Al Goetzinger as board liaison to the Zoning Board of Appeals. **Motion CARRIED**

Appointment(s): Planning Commission – Board Liaison: Paterek moved Goetzinger seconded to appoint Dennis LeMieux as Planning Commission Liaison.

Motion CARRIED

New Commissioner: Paterek moved Swiacki seconded to appoint Beth Abercrombie to the Planning Commission to carry out the remainder of Dennis LeMieux's term that ends April 2014.

Farmland rental: Paterek moved Swiacki seconded to approve Gaier Farms for a five-year land lease at \$70 per acre for 15.93 tillable acres. (January 1, 2013 - December 31, 2017). **Motion CARRIED**

Transfer Site - Gate & Fencing: Goetzinger moved Paterek seconded to accept bid from Nationwide Construction Group do the job provided their materials are comparable to our specs, if the amount is greater than Noble Fence Co. then award bid to Noble Fence Co.

Ayes: Smith, Paterek, Goetzinger, Swiacki

Motion CARRIED

Senior Center: Lap top: Paterek moved Goetzinger seconded to approve expenditure not to exceed \$1000 for a new laptop.

Ayes: Smith, Paterek, Goetzinger, Swiacki

Motion CARRIED

Treasurer: Summer tax collection: Smith moved Paterek seconded that the Armada Township Board of Trustees exercise its option to collect the 2013 school districts summer taxes pursuant to the terms of Section 1611 of Public Act 333 of 1982, for compensation to be negotiated. Smith moved Paterek seconded to rescind motion.

Paterek moved Smith seconded to approve Romeo Community Schools resolution. Motion CARRIED

Smith will send a letter to Romeo Community Schools regarding their resolution to collect 100% of their taxes in the summer and to M.I.S.D. indicating that we will not be collecting summer taxes at this time for Armada Township.

Reimbursing Grant: Polling place accessibility improvement program: Swiacki moved Paterek seconded to approve grant for \$7500 as presented and to award concrete bid to DeBuck Construction Inc for \$7,500, ADA Compliant Door to Secure Door LLC for \$2,441.60 as presented. The remaining balance of \$2,441.60 to be paid out of the general fund.

Aves: Smith, Paterek, Goetzinger, Swiacki

Motion CARRIED

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Fire Department: Emergency Action Cost Recovery Ordinance: Swiacki moved Goetzinger seconded to adopt ordinance R2012-14 – Emergency Action Cost Recovery Ordinance as presented as to publish accordingly. **Motion CARRIED**

Garage sales: No action.

Senior Center: Emergency indoor/outdoor lighting: Swiacki moved Goetzinger seconded to approve

payment of \$500 to DeHondt Electric Inc. for repairs as presented.

Ayes: Paterek, Smith, Goetzinger, Swiacki

Motion CARRIED

Code enforcer: Paterek stated he is looking for a new code enforcer to replace Martin Smith. Paterek will be reviewing again applications that are on file.

Zoning Ordinance #114 amendment: Section 16.24: Swiacki moved Goetzinger seconded to approve amendment to Zoning Ordinance #114 – Section 16.24 Race Tracks, Motocross Tracks, Tractor Pulls, Mud Bogs for motorized vehicles and the Like, as presented and to publish accordingly.

Ayes: Swiacki Nays: Smith, Paterek, Goetzinger Motion FAILED

Paterek, Smith and Goetzinger would like to send this back to the Planning Commission to look into rezoning areas in the master plan that fit these types of events.

Fire Department: SAFER Grant: Swiacki moved Paterek seconded to approve acceptance of SAFER Grant for \$288,000.

Ayes: Swiacki, Paterek, Goetzinger, Smith

Motion CARRIED

Supervisor noted his concern that it be clear at hiring that there is no guaranteed job or unemployment benefits after the SAFER Grant expires.

Fire Department: Grant consulting: Swiacki moved Paterek seconded to approve payment of \$999 for one year of grant consulting service to be paid from fire fund.

Ayes: Smith, Paterek, Goetzinger, Swiacki

Motion CARRIED

Kevin Kanehl indicated that the consultant will be paid from the fire fund to help with audit readiness, grant administration and the reporting requirements.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Heard from the floor: Monica Job, Ken Kanehl and Jessie Kanehl.

ADJOURNMENT: Paterek moved Swiacki seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Motion CARRIED

Mary K. Swiacki Armada Township Clerk John Paterek Supervisor

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