ARMADA TOWNSHIP BOARD 23121 East Main Armada, MI 48005

# SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 1, 2011 9:30 a.m.

(amended: 3/9/11)

### CALL TO ORDER: 9:30 a.m. by Supervisor Paterek

PLEDGE:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Paterek, Lobeck, Ruthenberg, Swiacki MEMBERS ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Agenda Items Only

Paterek moved to postpone debate on the treasurer and to move it to the general meeting.

Motion failed for lack of support.

Ruthenberg moved, Lobeck seconded to move Budget Workshop to end of agenda.

CASUALTY INSURANCE: Swiacki stated that George Sheppard from Nickel & Saph is here to answer any questions. Swiacki stated that she met with John Gandolfi and has not received a different rate. Swiacki mention to Mr. Gandolfi that we were having a meeting today.

Swiacki moved, Ruthenberg seconded to appoint Nickel & Saph, Inc as casualty insurance agent.

Ayes: Paterek, Lobeck, Swiacki, Ruthenberg

Swiacki stated the annual rate for casualty insurance is \$26,188.00.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE: George Sheppard stated that the MTA/WCSIF is not up and running yet. Mr. Sheppard indicated that he has the application to apply to the MTA/WCSIF to proceed. Swiacki stated this will save the township a little over \$3,000.00. Mr. Sheppard stated we should stay with the Accident Fund until we received confirmation from MTA/WCISF making the minimum payment to the Accident Fund. Swiacki moved, Paterek seconded to pay the minimum premium to the Accident Fund until we receive a notification from MTA/WCSIF that the coverage is in effect. We will maintain current workers' compensation coverage with Accident Fund until notified from MTA/WCISF. Motion CARRIED

Ayes: Lobeck, Ruthenberg, Swiacki, Paterek

**COMPUTER: Treasurer Dept:** Swiacki stated that the treasurers department has had computer problems for some time. Hi-Tech was called several times to help get the computer working properly. Hi-Tech stated that the computer is ten years old and should be replaced. Hi-Tech quoted \$875.00 for new computer and monitor with a three year warranty.

Swiacki moved, Ruthenberg seconded to purchase a computer and a monitor for the treasurer's department at a cost of \$875.00 and a computer for supervisor not to exceed \$700.00.

Aves: Paterek, Lobeck, Ruthenberg, Swiacki

Supervisor stated that his workstation needs to go back to his office and to check a price for two computers. He has been using his own computer here; his hard drive has failed at his shop and needs to take the computer he has at the township hall back to his office. Swiacki stated that the monitor is the townships. Swiacki will contact Hi-Tech to see if the township can receive a better price for the two computers.

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**TREASURER:** Paterek stated that he has no information on what has been offered or talked about. Swiacki stated that she spoke with Del about taking the interim treasurer position. Del stated she would consider it. She has not turned in her resignation for deputy treasurer. Swiacki inquired if she would take Shannon's wage and she said she would consider that as well to get the job done for the township. Swiacki moved, Ruthenberg seconded to offer Del Wrubel interim treasurer position with treasurer salary until the May election.

Paterek stated he doesn't know how you can give the gal treasurer's wages when she has already admitted she doesn't know how to do the job and needs help to do it. Ruthenberg stated this wage would be from March 1 until May 4 when the election is certified. Swiacki stated we would be utilizing the treasurer's salary for a treasurer - its' intended use. Paterek stated to put her back on hourly and pay her for the hours she works. Lobeck stated that Del has already given us four months work for very little money. Paterek stated that this is a matter of paying her \$11.75 an hour and having her finish up the job and if she doesn't like that she can make arrangements. Paterek stated it is obvious that she can't do the job of the treasurer so I don't know how we can give her the wages of the treasurer. Paterek stated that he would like the motion and the second rescinded. Paterek moved to pay Del \$11.75 an hour to finish up the job. Motion failed.

Ayes: Lobeck, Swiacki, Ruthenberg Nays: Paterek

## Motion CARRIED

BUDGET WORKSHOP: Discussion of 2011-2012 Fire and General Fund budgets. No formal actions taken.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

ADJOURNMENT: Paterek moved, Lobeck seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

#### **Motion CARRIED**

Mary K. Swiacki Armada Township Clerk John Paterek Supervisor

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