

MINUTES OF ARBELA TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

August 9, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Joe White at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present – Joseph White, William Jacobi, Jody Hunt, Mary Warren, Kenneth Panek, Deputy Rogner, and nine residents.

Absent - None

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: July 12, 2010

MOTION: By Jacobi to approve the minutes from the July 12, 2010 regular meeting.

SECONDED: By Panek, all ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: By Hunt to approve the minutes from the July 21, 2010 special meeting.

SECONDED: By Jacobi, all ayes, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

<u>FUND</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISB.</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
General Fund	\$ 42,612.88	\$ 21,744.67	\$ 79,346.19
Fire Assessment Fund	21.07	0.00	106,749.21
Police Fund	70.90	10,779.98	348,419.94
Garbage Fund	43.59	12,576.60	208,254.58
Bldg. Insp. Fund	576.04	528.04	252.74
Neighborhood Watch	0.00	0.00	364.73
Hall Rental Deposits	250.00	750.00	3,220.00
Current Tax Fund	0.00	0.00	555.73
Fire withholding	89,457.25	61,188.96	28,824.02

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PARK BOARD:

Ken Panek reported everything is going fine. He asked the board's permission to store the past park board records here at the hall. Jim Bucy started work as the park manager August 1st. They bought a new pole chain saw to cut branches from trees. They have decided to pay an attorney to draw up papers for a millage request.

Joe said Bill Jacobi suggested to Jim Bucy to cut branches along the entrance to the camp sites to make it easier for trucks with trailers entering and leaving the campsites.

Jim Bucy said after Labor Day he would be cutting about two dozen pine trees down. He said a 20 to 24 foot trailer can now park at the campsites, but the road needs to be wider.

LIBRARY BOARD: Jody Hunt said everything at the library is fine. Participation is growing and they are busy.

[FIRE BOARD REPORT:

Joe said there was a request from the fire chief to purchase new tires for the First Responder vehicle. He told them there was enough money in the budget to cover our cost of the tires. He said if there are any residents within six miles of Millington that would like to volunteer, there may be some openings on the fire department.

He said there was 1 structure fire, 2 grass fires, 2 power line standbys, 1 mutual aid, 3 accidents, 1 accident requiring extrication, 1 misc. call, 1 false alarm and 26 E.M.S. responses. Runs by location: Arbela 17, Millington Township 15, Village of Millington 5 and mutual aid 1.

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

White said there was 1 building, and 1 electrical permit, 1 plumbing permit and 3 mechanical permits issued in July.

WORK PROJECTS REPORT:

Bill said everything is going smooth. John and Deb put new poles in Pine Grove Cemetery. As soon as parts come in (outside bearing) the big tractor will be cutting roadsides again.

POLICE REPORT:

Deputy Rogner said we had 1 property crimes, 0 assault, 9 general non-criminal assistance, 0 traffic complaints, 3 accidents and 4 other complaints. Complaints handled by the township's two officers was 17, non-Arbela sheriff's patrol was 17 and state police 6. The two officers put 2,406 miles on the police car for July and used 138 gallons of gas. He said there was a rash of B&E's in Birch Run, Genesee County, and Arbela had two. The suspects have been caught and arrested.

SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB

Joe said Deborah & Bob Cerasoli will be hosting a car and motorcycle show on Labor Day here at the hall to benefit the senior social club. There will be a bake sale and we will be selling hot dogs, pop and chips for lunch. It starts at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Anyone wanting to volunteer to work is welcome.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Supervisor White read a letter from the Tuscola County Road Commission They are going to remove the yield sign at the intersection of Buell and Barnes Road and replace it with a stop sign. There will be a stop ahead sign in place for six months.

MOTION BY: Warren to amend the 2010-2011 revenue budget of the General Fund in the amount of \$251.82 and the revenue budget of the Fire Fund in the amount of \$378.00.

SECONDED By: Hunt, all ayes, motion carried.

There was a request from Margaret Moran to allow her husband to be buried in Gunnell Cemetery somewhere close to her son.

MOTION: By Hunt to deny the request from Margaret Moran to have her husband buried in Gunnell Cemetery as he is not a township resident.

SECONDED: By Warren, all ayes, motion carried.

Joe read a request from Shirley Petzold to have a yield sign at the intersection of Swaffer and Buell Road replaced by a stop sign. She collected 15 signatures on a petition from nearby residents. We discussed the corner clearance on corn as it is bad on that corner.

MOTION: By Warren to authorize the supervisor to contact the Tuscola County Road Commission to do a study of the Buell and Swaffer Road intersection in regards to replacing a yield sign with a stop sign there.

SECONDED: By Panek, all ayes, motion carried.

Under citizen comment James Bucy asked how much the maintenance workers were paid? He also asked about several budget line items under township hall.

Ken Platt commented on the special meeting on the park. He said it is no win situation for the board and we should think about putting the question on the ballot.

MOTION: By Hunt to pay the bills and payroll.

SECONDED: By Warren, all ayes, motion carried.

MOTION: By Jacobi to adjourn at 8:53 p.m.

SECONDED: By Warren, all ayes, motion carried.

Mary C. Warren, Township Clerk