

MINUTES
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2011 AT 7:00 PM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING – MILLER SHAFT

Chairman Selapack opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Supervisor James P. Kovach – present; Supervisor Elwood Selapack – present; Solicitor C. J. Webb – absent.

Public Participation

Robert Lutz asked if Portage Township are still going to have an advisory committee and said if so he is interested in serving on it if there are any openings. Supervisor Selapack said that there is still an advisory committee and for Mr. Lutz to submit his name.

Jean McCabe wanted to advise the Board of Supervisors that the news reported that the ponds are turning black from the debris coming from Amfire. The Supervisors thanked her for informing them of this matter.

John Nicholson asked the Supervisors to talk to the drilling company about jeopardizing the ground that they are drilling on. Supervisor Kovach said that they can not do anything about it because they worked out a deal with private property owners.

Jim Nicholson suggested the Supervisors put money into a fund in case of emergencies for cleaning up.

Reports

The minutes of the April 6, 2011 Regular Monthly Meeting were presented in written form. Supervisor Selapack made the motion to accept the minutes and Supervisor Kovach seconded. All – yes.

The minutes of the April 28, 2011 Special Meeting were presented in written form. Supervisor Selapack made a motion to accept the minutes and Supervisor Kovach seconded. All – yes.

The Secretary's Report was presented and contained written and telephone correspondence which was included as part of the meeting record. Supervisor Selapack made the motion to accept the Secretary's Report and Supervisor Kovach seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Roadmaster's report was presented, which included; Sweeping streets, cleaning ditches, put pipe on Cemetery Road, working on machinery, put winter equipment away. Supervisor

Selapack made a motion to accept the Roadmaster's report. Supervisor Kovach seconded. All – yes.

The Enforcement Officers report was presented which included; 158 Jamestown Road. 1806 Springhill, and 1810 Springhill were told to clean up junk in yard. 1833 Springhill had no permits to build garage, was told to obtain the proper permits for building. Checked on burning on Portage Street. Supervisor Selapack made a motion to accept the Enforcement Officers report. Supervisor Kovach seconded. All –yes.

Township Managers report was presented which included: Still working on projects that were in last months report. Supervisor Selapack made a motion to accept the Manager's report. Supervisor Kovach seconded. All –yes.

Expenditures in the amount of \$20,802.45 - General Fund and \$12,963.41 - Payroll #8 and #9 were presented for approval. Supervisor Selapack made the motion to accept the expenditures and Supervisor Kovach seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report is as follows:

Treasurer's Report

April 2011

FUND	BAL. 4-01-11	REC. APRIL	EXP. APRIL	BAL. 4-31-11
GENERAL	855,130.85	90,362.18	33,765.86	911,727.17
STATE	145,701.26	105,578.56	0.00	251,279.82
ALL	1,000,832.11	195,940.74	33,765.86	1,163,006.99

Supervisor Selapack made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Supervisor Kovach seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Selapack had the Secretary explain about the cash in the bank. She explained that there were people misleading the public about what cash is actually in the bank. Between the CD's, Money Market Savings, Optimum Checking and State Fund there is a cash balance of 911,727.17 in the bank. The public was told that the Township only has assets of trucks and equipment.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Selapack made a motion to approve the Willinsky/Banzuh easement on Elwood Drive. They agreed that if anything would happen they will be held responsible. Supervisor Kovach seconded. All –yes.

Supervisor Selapack made a motion to accept Jim Cronauer’s letter of resignation for the advisory committee. Supervisor Kovach seconded. All – yes.

Supervisor Selapack made a motion to rescind the motion to abolish the Township Manager’s position. Supervisor Kovach- All- yes.

Supervisor Selapack made a motion to advertise the ordinance to abolish the Township Manager’s position. Supervisor Kovach seconded. All –yes.

Matt McCoy and Ray Lee from the Portage Volunteer Fire Company were in attendance to ask the Board if they would consider to increase the current ½ of a mill to 1 full mill do to the fire company not having any financial increase for over 25 years. Supervisor Kovach said he would like to donate the Twp. Manager’s salary to them. Supervisor Selapack said he would have to sit down and talk about it with them.

Supervisor Selapack made a motion to appoint Richard Olshavsky Portage Township Supervisor in place of former Supervisor Trimbaths position. Supervisor Kovach seconded. All –yes.

Supervisor Selapack made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Supervisor Kovach seconded. All- yes

Those visitors signing the attendance record were: Jean McCabe, Pat George, Butch Kostan, Mike Jubina, Dave Gruse, John Jubina, John Nicholson, Ronald Davis, Bruce Kalinoski, Ed Dilginis, Dick Rice, Dave Jones, Brandon Baker, William Cooper, Larry Raptosh, Patricia Rylke, Sherman Miller, Matt McCoy, John Kissell, Linda Alexander, Pat Nicholson, Bill Offman, Ashley Watt, Cameron Benko, Ray Lee, Mark Stefanko, Tony Girard, Shawn Sciko, Richard Olshavsky, Kevin Crable, Bill Nadolsky.

Submitted by Lisa Flynn, Secretary.

MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY BOARD.