

APPROVED MINUTES
GROSSE ILE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
October 25, 2004
Grosse Ile Township Hall – Merle Solomon Board Room
9601 Groh Road

A Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held at the corner of Meridian and Church Roads to unveil the Steve Sims Memorial Drinking Fountain prior to the meeting.

Present: Supervisor Jones, Clerk O'Connor, Treasurer Kobiljak, Trustees Neal, Raithel, Wojewodzic, Will and Township Manager Reaume.

Supervisor Jones opened the regular meeting at 7:35 p.m..

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: brief comments limited to 3 minutes per person

Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Motion Kobiljak, second Neal to add an Executive Session to the end of the agenda for purposes of 1) AFSCME negotiations, 2) POAM negotiations, 3) Litigation: Toll Bridge. Also, to add to the Township Manager's Report Item # 1) Watermain flushing and fire hydrant inspections. All aye. Motion carried.

Final Agenda

Pledge of Allegiance

Consent Agenda 04-099

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1. Minutes of October 11, 2004
2. Cash Requirements List date October 25, 2004
3. Purchase Order Summary dated October 25, 2004

Clerk's Report:

1. Election updates

Treasurer's Report:

1. Receive Investment Report through September 30, 2004

Supervisor's Report:

1. Appointment of Board of Review Members *Held Over- no action taken*

Township Manager's Report:

1. Fire Hydrant flushing

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval to spend \$1,800 to publish and update Open Space Guide
2. Authorize expenditure for crack sealing various roads
3. Trash hauling contract
4. Trench Shield

Discussion Items:

1. Senior Alliance request for funding
Extended Public Comment

Executive Session: 1) AFSCME negotiations, 2) POAM negotiations, 3) Litigation- Toll Bridge

Adjourn

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Motion Wojewodzic, second Will, to approve Consent Agenda # 04-099, containing the items listed as presented. All aye.

1. Minutes of October 11, 2004
2. Cash Requirements List date October 25, 2004
3. Purchase Order Summary dated October 25, 2004

Public Comment:

1. W. Clark, 19620 Parke Lane, 1) Will the snow hill be ready for use this winter? *Manager Reaume responded that topsoil and grass seed will need to be added before it will be ready to use.* 2) Who will pay for the water at the Steve Sims Memorial Water Fountain? *Either the DDA or the township will pay for the water.* 3) Why are there no millages on the General Election ballot? *The township board did not request any millage approvals at this time.*

Clerk's Report:

1. Clerk O'Connor reported that preparations for the General Election are proceeding on schedule and that to date her office had issued 2,499 absentee ballot applications, 2,205 absentee ballots and had received 834 absentee ballots returned by voters. She reminded voters in Precincts 5 and 6 who previously voted at St. James Episcopal Church that their polling location has been changed to the Recreation Building at Centennial Farm, which is located at 25797 Third Street, south of Bellevue. Clerk O'Connor had planned to deliver a presentation to provide information to voters on the proper way to mark the optical scan ballots and to inform voters about the tabulation process; however, since there was an audio problem with the cable broadcast she decided to provide the information by way of a public service announcement to be aired on cable prior to the election.

Treasurer's Report:

1. Treasurer Kobiljak reported that township investments of 10,152,886.02 had earned an average investment rate of 1.5450 percent and had earned a total of \$4,532.38 in investment interest through September 30th.

Supervisor's Report:

1. Scheduled Board of Review Appointments are held over until a future meeting.

Township Manager's Report:

1. Mr. Reaume announced that beginning on October 25th the Department of Public Works began watermain flushing and fire hydrant inspections. The program is expected to take approximately seven weeks to complete. To minimize resident inconvenience, the work will be performed weeknights from 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m., whenever possible. Daytime flushings may be needed in some areas but will be kept to a minimum. For the duration of the program, customers may experience rusty or discolored water. In most cases, the condition is temporary with water quality returning to normal as flushing is completed in the area. It is recommended that residents let cold water run in their laundry tub until it clears before doing laundry. Washing clothing in the discolored water may stain light colored clothes; however discolored water is not harmful to drink. This program is necessary to ensure delivery of high quality water to residents and to check for proper fire hydrant operation. Questions should be directed to the Public Works Department at 676-5959 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m..

ACTION ITEMS

1. 04- 100

Motion Kobiljak, second Wojewodziec, to approve funding to pay for printing and mailing of an updated Open Space Guide to all residents of Grosse Ile in the amount of \$1,850.00. All aye. Motion carried.

2. 04-101

Motion Will, second Raithel, to authorize expenditure up to \$11,700.00 and contract approval with Michigan Joint Sealing Inc. to provide crack and joint sealing services on the streets of Highland, Byromar, Church, Whittall, Lakewood, Island, Miami, Balmoral, Harlan, University, and Loma Circle between Meridian and West River Road. Funds will come from the road Maintenance account. All aye. Motion carried.

3. 04-102

Motion Raithel, second Neal, based on the recommendation of the DPW Public Works Commission, to approve the bid award to Painter and Ruthenberg, 2660 Beech Daly Road, Inkster, Michigan, for collection of solid waste, recyclable and yard waste, for a term of 3 years commencing November 15, 2004 through November 15, 2007. Township Attorney to review and approve the contract documents. All aye. Motion carried.

4. 04-103

Motion Raithel, second Kobiljak, based on the recommendation of the DPW Commission to approve the purchase of a trench shield from Pro-Tec Equipment, Inc., the lowest quote received in the amount of \$4,090.00. All aye. Motion carried.

Discussion Items:

1. Discussion regarding continuing participation in the Senior Alliance (Area Agency on Aging 1-C) based upon the letter received on October 18, 2004 from Interim Executive Director Bob Brown, which requests additional payment to relieve the agency debt to Wayne County. Additional information on the situation was provided by Doug McIntosh, the township representative and board member on the Senior Alliance. There have been reports of some errors in accounting and missed payments to Wayne County. The Senior Alliance is asking each of the 34 communities it serves to contribute a double assessment in November in order to allow repayment of the Wayne County debt. Grosse Ile's assessment would total \$1,744.00 instead of the usual \$872.00. The Board asked for further research on this issue before the November 8, 2004 board meeting and for this issue to be addressed at that meeting.

Motion Raithel, second Will, to adjourn to Executive Session for purposes of negotiations and litigation as indicated on the agenda .

Roll Call Vote: O'Connor, Will, Raithel, Kobiljak, Neal, Wojewodzic and Jones each voted yes.

Executive Session adjourned at 8:18 p.m on motion by Kobiljak, second Raithel.

Regular meeting reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

Motion Raithel, second Kobiljak, to adjourn the Regular Meeting.. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m. All aye. Motion carried.

Ute O'Connor. Township Clerk

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