

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donald Green, Supervisor; Colleen Schwartz, Clerk; Cynthia Dagenhardt, Treasurer; Trustees Randal Busick, Dale Wiltse, Brien Worrell

ABSENT: Trustee William Mazzara

ALSO PRESENT: Larry Waligora, Fire Chief; Dick Shafer, Kensington Metropark Superintendent; Janet Monari, John Nelson, American Legion Post 216 Commander; Ten Audience Members, Aileen Wingblad, The Milford Times; Jake Leonhardt, Spinal Column; Holly Brandt, Recording Secretary

Supervisor Green called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Busick moved, Trustee Wiltse seconded to remove ordinances 156-A-122 and 156-A-123 from the consent agenda. **Vote unanimously carried.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MAY 16, 2007 (REGULAR), MAY 22, 2007 (JOINT BOARDS & COMMISSION); APPROVAL OF BILLS: GENERAL FUND \$164,417.97, FIRE DEPARTMENT \$21,754.89, SENIOR CENTER \$4,758.26, SEMIS \$11,978.78; REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR LABOR DAY 30K RACE \$1,000.00 HURON VALLEY RUNNING CLUB; ADOPTION ORDINANCE 193 2006 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE; CAMP DEARBORN REQUEST FIREWORKS DISPLAY JUNE 30, 2007; KENSINGTON METROPARK REQUESTS: FIREWORKS DISPLAY JULY 4, 2007, TEMPORARY STAGE PERMIT FOR DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT JULY 13, 2007, HISTORICAL FIREARMS POSSESSION AND DISCHARGE FOR COLONIAL KENSINGTON PROGRAM AUGUST 11 & 12, 2007, TEMPORARY STAGE PERMIT FOR TARGET CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL AUGUST 25, 2007, SWIMMING OUTSIDE DESIGNATED AREA FOR HAPPY TRAILS TRIATHLON JULY 22, 2007; APPOINTMENT TO HURON VALLEY YOUTH ASSISTANCE BOARD DON GREEN; APPROVAL 2007 TAX RATES: 1.0735 OPERATING, .9396 FIRE, .7611 LIBRARY, 3.0417 POLICE, .3836 LIBRARY OPERATING, .6346 LIBRARY/POLICE DEBT, .1250 SENIOR CENTER, .1000 RECREATIONAL TRAIL

Trustee Busick moved, Treasurer Dagenhardt seconded to approve the consent agenda as amended. Roll call vote: **Yes** – Busick, Dagenhardt, Wiltse, Schwartz, Worrell, Green. **Absent** – Mazzara. **Vote unanimously carried.**

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Green reported Kensington Metropark's new Splash-N-Blast water slide is now open. The entry fee is \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children.

He also commented that the township's permit for Storm Water Phase II has been voided and a refund for fees paid will be forthcoming.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Supervisor Green noted that Trustee Mazzara, the Planning Commission Liaison, was absent therefore no report was given.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT

Trustee Wiltse gave a brief synopsis of the June meeting.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Waligora reported the following:

Runs for the month of May totaled 89 with 427 year to date.

Firefighter Michael Becker is now licensed as an EMT-B. All but five firefighters are licensed as an EMT or higher.

Dive rescue program held classes last weekend at Milford High School, Camp Dearborn and Maple Lake.

Classes will be held this weekend at General Motors Proving Grounds for the vehicle extrication program.

The City of Wixom has reimbursed the department for assisting in a hazardous material incident at the Korex plant that occurred in April, 2006.

An automatic mutual aid agreement is in place with the Wixom Fire Department.

Both county and state are establishing a Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) for providing automatic mutual aid with surrounding municipalities.

The Milford Firefighters Association Pancake Breakfast was a great success with nearly 950 served.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

REQUEST, EXTENSION TO APPROVED SITE PLAN, S-06-5003 – MISSION VALLEY, JOHN CHOATE, 16-02-476-004, -012 & -015

Mr. Matt Choate explained the reason for the request was current market conditions. He said once they have enough interest in the project construction would begin.

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Trustee Wiltse seconded to grant the extension request for S-06-5003, Mission Valley, 16-02-476-004, -012 & -015 for one year from today's date. **Vote unanimously carried.**

REQUEST, INTERPRETATION OF MINOR ROAD – PROPOSED ADAMS COURT, 16-15-400-085 – JANET MONARI

Mrs. Janet Monari, 946 Adams Road, Milford, gave a brief history of the property. Mrs. Monari and the board discussed at length the approval process and the reason for the interpretation of a minor road easement and her proposed land divisions.

Trustee Wiltse moved, Treasurer Dagenhardt seconded to approve the construction of Adams Court, a forty foot (40) wide minor private road easement and not to be accessed by any other parcel other than 16-15-400-085 and subsequent divisions.

Discussion:

Mrs. Monari and the board continued discussion of the approval process and her confusion regarding taxes.

Vote unanimously carried.

PROPOSAL, PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Supervisor Green stated the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has certain mandates for parks & recreation master plans that require the expertise of the township planner.

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Clerk Schwartz seconded to approve the contract with Wade Trim in an amount not to exceed \$14, 000.00 and authorize the Supervisor to sign it. Roll call vote: **Yes** – Dagenhardt Schwartz, Wiltse, Busick, Worrell, Green. **Absent** – Mazzara. **Vote unanimously carried.**

PROPOSAL, MILFORD-KENSINGTON TRAIL GRANT FUNDS
COORDINATION – WADE TRIM

Supervisor Green stated grant coordination is needed to manage the four grants received by Milford Township as follows:

Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Predevelopment Grant - \$50,000

Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Construction Grant - \$75,000

Michigan Department of Transportation Grant - \$609,000

Michigan Department of Natural Resources Grant - \$400,000

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Trustee Wiltse seconded to approve the Professional Services Agreement, in an amount not to exceed \$3,500.00, and authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract. Roll call vote: **Yes** – Dagenhardt, Wiltse, Busick, Schwartz, Worrell, Green. **Absent** – Mazzara. **Vote unanimously carried.**

DEVELOPMENTAL DESIGN STANDARDS GUIDE – WADE TRIM

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Clerk Schwartz seconded to postpone until a proposal is presented with the cost. **Vote unanimously carried.**

PLANNER AND ATTORNEY REVIEW OF TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE WITH ZONING ENABLING ACT

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Trustee Wiltse seconded to postpone until a proposal is submitted. **Vote unanimously carried.**

ELIMINATION OF USE VARIANCES

Mrs. Elowsky said she would resubmit information regarding rezoning agreements to be used in lieu of a use variance.

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Clerk Schwartz seconded to postpone. **Vote unanimously carried.**

PROPOSAL, SURFACE SEALING FOR BIKE PATH AT SOUTH END OF TOWNSHIP

Trustee Worrell moved, Treasurer Dagenhardt seconded to approve the proposal submitted and authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract. Roll call vote: **Yes** – Worrell, Dagenhardt, Schwartz, Busick, Wiltse, Green. **Absent** – Mazzara. **Vote unanimously carried.**

AUTHORIZATION, HURON RIVER SWIM – LIZ ELLING

Supervisor Green stated the ordinance does not allow swimming outside the designated areas at Kensington Metropark, so a suspension of the ordinance for this event is needed.

Trustee Worrell moved, Trustee Busick seconded to suspend the ordinance for the Huron River swim event for Liz Elling on the condition the township is named as an additional insured on the Huron River Watershed Council's insurance policy. **Vote unanimously carried.**

HURON RIVER WATERSHED SIGNS

Supervisor Green said state law mandates educating the public regarding watersheds and the signs would satisfy this requirement. He said the Oakland County Drain Commission received a grant for the signs however it does not cover the entire cost of the signs.

The board discussed at length the need for the signs versus the cost above the grant funds. They felt the public could be educated through notices in the community newsletter and other local publications rather than posting signs at every road crossing throughout the township at taxpayers' expense.

Trustee Busick moved, Trustee Wiltse seconded to deny the signs for the Huron River Watershed. **Vote unanimously carried.**

REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION, PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS – PROPOSED FIRE STATION

Supervisor Green explained this document outlines the procedures for borrowing funds and issuing bonds to cover the cost of a proposed fire station and affirms the township's intent comply with reimbursement rules as required by the Internal Revenue Service.

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Clerk Schwartz seconded to adopt the resolution as presented. **Vote unanimously carried.**

ARCHITECT SELECTION FOR PROPOSED FIRE STATION

Treasurer Dagenhardt requested to withdraw her motion, Clerk Schwartz requested to withdraw her support and Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Clerk Schwartz seconded to postpone until the July meeting.

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Clerk Schwartz seconded to approve the selection of Redstone Architects, Inc., for architectural engineering services for the proposed new fire station #1.

Discussion:

Mrs. Mary Buha, 1077 Parkway Court, Milford, expressed concern for construction of a new fire station with the state's poor economic situation. She discussed a district fire department as a cost saving alternative.

Trustee Busick asked how Redstone Architects, Inc. was selected what would the township be getting for the \$20,000 expense. Supervisor Green responded the township would get a needs assessment, site assessment, floor plans, engineering and soil borings if needed.

Trustee Busick felt he needed more information on the costs involved in the needs assessment and preliminary study in order to make an informed decision. Treasurer Dagenhardt suggested having Mr. Richard Huber, Chairman of the fire station committee attend the next meeting and give a report.

Vote unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION, CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE – FAMILY AND CAREGIVER EDUCATION & SUPPORT (FACES) EVENT

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Clerk Schwartz seconded to adopt the resolution as presented. **Vote unanimously carried.**

CEMETERY EMPLOYEE

Treasurer Dagenhardt explained that Ms. Linda Dagenhardt has been working at Oak Grove Cemetery compiling accurate information as to the burial history. She said Ms. Dagenhardt has assisted many persons who have come to the cemetery looking for information on family members buried there, she has arranged for maintenance and resetting and repairing of headstones.

The board discussed the position's duties and tasks.

Treasurer Dagenhardt moved, Trustee Worrell seconded to approve hiring Ms. Dagenhardt with the position to be seasonal between April 15 and November 1 each year for no more than 22.5 hours per week at \$15.00 per hour and she would work in both cemeteries. Roll call vote: **Yes** – Dagenhardt, Worrell, Schwartz, Busick, Wiltse, Green. **Absent** – Mazzara. **Vote unanimously carried.**

INTRODUCTION, ORDINANCE 156-A-122 – PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD)

Mrs. Elowsky explained there is an existing ordinance already that addresses a PUD in the C-2 District. She felt the introduction of a PUD ordinance for all other districts and introduction of an additional PUD for C-2 could create future legal issues for the township. Mrs. Elowsky recommended the board rescind the

existing PUD for the C-2 District and also move to introduce ordinance 156-A-122.

The board and Mrs. Elowsky discussed at length the ordinances and determined the new PUD ordinance would apply to all zoning districts equally and repealing the existing C-2 PUD would not preclude a PUD from being considered in the C-2 Zoning District. They also discussed how the proposed PUD addresses open space requirements and wording regarding the intent of the PUD and shopping districts.

Trustee Busick moved, Treasurer Dagenhardt seconded to introduce ordinance 156-A-122 with the following changes:

1. Rescind the current C-2 PUD ordinance.
2. Include more rigorous language to guarantee that open spaces generated by the PUD remain open in perpetuity.
3. Delete the reference to “better shopping opportunities” in the intents section of the ordinance language.
4. Integrating the criteria from the Land Acquisition Criteria Committee (approved by the board on May 16, 2007).

Vote unanimously carried.

INTRODUCTION, ORDINANCE 156-A-123 – C-2 PUD
No action taken.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. John Nelson, Commander, American Legion Post 216, introduced himself as the newly elected commander. He thanked the board for their sponsorship of the annual Memorial Day Parade.

BOARD MEMBER’S REMARKS

There were no comments from the board.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Green adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Charter Township of Milford,

Colleen Schwartz, MMC
Clerk