

WRIGHT TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JUNE 9, 2010
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The following minutes were taken at the June, 2010 board meeting and are currently unapproved.

1. The regular board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Becker at 7:30 P.M. with the Pledge and a prayer. Board members present were JoAnn Becker, Rick Schoenborn, Linda Way, Tracy Worrell and Josh Westgate.

2. No additions to the agenda.

3. A motion was made by Schoenborn and supported by Worrell to approve the bills in the amount of \$22,269.74 and to accept the treasurer's report, Trust and Agency and Tax Account Profit & Loss. Motion carried. A motion was made by Schoenborn and supported by Westgate to approve the minutes of May 10 Special and May 12 Regular Board Meeting as written. Motion carried. *Attached*

4. Ann Malewitz, 1553 Garfield, Marne distributed House Bill 5319 introduced by Reps. Scripps, Roberts, Valentine, Geiss, Warren, Smith and Bledsoe which in part states "the waters of the state, including groundwater are held in trust by the state". Ann has extreme concerns that the state wants to control our water. Will they put fees on it and tell us when we can water crops, etc? Well drillers also have concerns. Do we want the State to control the water on our property? She also shared articles from the Grand Rapids Press.

Greg DeJong, candidate for Ottawa County Commission discussed job creation, Ag preservation and reducing taxes.

5. Kent Rubley and Brett Laughlin from Ottawa County Road Commission discussed that their funding consists from a portion of gas tax, etc. (no funds from Ottawa County). Also discussed were the conditions of the roads in Wright Township and areas of chip seal and crack sealing. Roads are rated on a 1- 10 scale. Tuesday, June 22 at 7 p.m. will be a meeting at OCRC where a draft will be presented with the 6 year road improvement plan.

6. Choice One Bank official discussed an investment program available to the Township. A motion was made by Worrell and supported by Schoenborn to move forward with the Cdars Program. It will help simplify investment accounting. Motion carried.

7. Tim Breaden of Trident Insurance/Pinnacle Insurance explained the proposed Township insurance plan and how it differs from our current plan with Western Insurance including \$5,000 savings. A motion was made by Way and supported by Worrell to approve the new carrier contingent upon reviews from several other townships using the same. Motion carried.

8. Resolution 10-06-01- Great Lakes Wind Farms Permitting Resolution which requires approvals from local municipals was discussed. (No action taken) *Attached*

9. Fallen Heroes Memorial. After 2 ½ years of planning, the memorial to honor persons of Grand Haven, Spring Lake, Ferrysburg, Coopersville, Nunica , West Olive and townships of Grand Haven, Spring Lake, Robinson, Crockery, Polkton, Wright and Chester who gave the supreme sacrifice in WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Lebanon, Iraq, Afghanistan and future conflicts has been approved fund raising is starting. A motion was made by Westgate and supported by Schoenborn to allocate \$250 for the memorial. Motion carried. Anyone interested in donating to the memorial can make checks out to Grand Haven Area Community Foundation, 1 S. Harbor Drive, Grand Haven, MI 49417-1385 and reference FHM or Fallen Heroes Memorial.

10. Reports were given. Worrell discussed the new pay plan for new firefighters that will be in-training.

11. *Thanks to Rodney Prys for putting up flags in Marne and working at the annual Memorial Day Parade.

*Thanks to Josh Westgate for all of his work on putting up he new ceiling tiles and Bret Petrauskas and Roger Westgate for assisting him.

*Friday, June 18 at 8 a.m., township officials and firefighters will empty the office area so new flooring can be installed.

*Cranberry Lake is rising and threatening property. Beavers are the culprits. The beavers will be trapped and moved and the Farmer's Inter-County drain will be cleared. The Kent and Ottawa County Drain Commissions will work out the logistics. Wright Township will be responsible for 11% of the billing.

12. Way received a scholarship from Michigan Municipal Clerk's Association to attend the June 22 – June 25 Conference. A motion was made by Westgate and supported by Worrell to cover lodging for the conference. Motion carried.

13. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Way, Wright Township Clerk