

April 9th, 2002
Rockford Township
Regular Meeting

The April 9th, 2002 regular meeting was called to order at 8:04 p.m., after the Public Hearing. Members present were McDougall, Kelley, Wetter, and Walker. Beise was excused. The Pledge was recited at the beginning of the Public Hearing.

The Board reviewed the agenda and added dust control bids as number 4 on the agenda, and also added Resolution for Reestablishing Unchanged Precincts and Polling Places as number 5. Farmington Avenue was continued to April 23rd because of the snow and cancellation of the road meeting. With the changes to the agenda, it was adopted as amended. The minutes from the March 26th, 2002 meeting distributed to all Board members prior to the meeting for review. There were 2-changes made to the minutes. The first change was on page one regarding the Youth With A Mission. The change should read as follows: The mission was requesting to expand by building a four-plex to house approximately sixteen people (four families), and within 5-10 years the Mission would want to build 4 more four-plexes. The other change was on page 2 under agenda item Chai Lee. The change should read as follows: Supervisor Kelley informed the Board that Chai Lee was a Realtor representing his client, and would abstain from any voting that might take place. Motion by McDougall, second Walker to accept the minutes from the March 26th, 2002 meeting with the changes. Voting in favor Wetter, McDougall, Walker and Kelley. Opposed none, motion carried.

David Perry was present to request approval for preliminary plat for the road on the subdivision of the Vogel property. Vogel's obtained a temporary 33 feet easement north on property, to be used for emergency vehicles only. (The easement would stay gravel.) South of the property there was 66-foot easement drawn in as an outlet road for whenever the Township road would become a through road. Motion by Walker, second Kelley to approve the road plat as presented, with County recommendations. Voting in favor McDougall, Walker, Kelley and Wetter. Opposed none, motion carried. Wetter expressed some concern regarding the future possible "outlet" road due to some wetlands on the property.

McDougall requested the Highway 55 membership item to be continued to the April 23rd meeting.

Kelley informed the Board that Chai Lee was not prepared and would be coming to the April 23rd meeting.

The Clerk informed the Board that 1-bid was received for dust control. The Clerk opened the bid from Dustcoating Inc., and read the quote of \$.528 per gallon of Magnesium Chloride Solution to be applied to Township roads as instructed, and per specifications of the bid. Motion by McDougall, second Kelley to accept the bid from Dustcoating Inc. being close to last years bid. Voting in favor McDougall, Kelley, Walker and Wetter. Opposed none, motion carried.

The Clerk presented the Resolution for Reestablishing Unchanged Precincts and Polling Places, to the Board for signature. The Resolution keeps the Township as 1-precinct with the same polling place. Motion by Kelley, second Walker to sign the Resolution to leave the

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Township as 1-precinct with the same polling place. Voting in favor McDougall, Kelley, Walker and Wetter. Opposed none, motion carried.

Dean Dixon- Informed the Board his land is flooding out, and was asking for some guidance for a solution to the problem, by either changing culvert size, or cleaning out the ditch on the property so the water flows off his land. Supervisor Wetter will handle and call resident with information.

Public Comments: Jim Heberling – 598 Calder Ave S.E. Mr. Heberling was present to discuss the opposition to the rezoning of land near the airport for the use of a go-kart track. (This land is in Buffalo Township.) Many audience members joined in the discussion opposed to the go-kart track. Many points were made brought up such as noise, dust, traffic. The group was asking for support from the Township Board at the next County meeting. The Board wanted to note in the minutes that a quorum of the Board might be present on April 18th at the County Court House to express the residents' views about the go-kart track.

Supervisors:

Pam: Nothing to report.

Leander: Nothing to report.

Matt: Nothing to report.

Karen: Asked if any of the Board members knew about a utility company going out of business (360 Networks) she received a notice in the mail. Passed the information to the Clerk. Inquired if any Board members received a notice from Gopher –1 utility company meeting. No one received notice. Asked the Board to consider the UPA road for a road project due to its deterioration.

Clerk: Asked the Board if the Crew could send out the plow trucks to have the sanders and plows sand blasted and repainted. Board agreed, and commented that the Crew should get quotes. The Clerk reminded the Board of the Board of Review meeting on April 11th, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Kelley, second McDougall to approve funds totaling \$234,980.88 as of March 31, 2002 in checking, savings, CD's, petty cash, minus dedicated funds. Voting in favor McDougall, Kelley, Walker and Wetter. Opposed none, motion carried. Motion by Walker, second Kelley to approve payments from 3/27/02 through 4/9/02 totaling \$9,032.44 paid by checks #10473 through #10497. Voting in favor McDougall, Kelley, Walker and Wetter. Opposed none, motion carried.

All agenda items being complete, and no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Chair

Clerk