Vergennes Township

Regular Meeting Minutes August 15, 2011

The regular meeting of the Vergennes Township Board was called to order by Tim Wittenbach at 7:00 pm in the Vergennes Township Hall.

Members Present: Tim Wittenbach -Supervisor

Mari Stone -Clerk
Jean Hoffman -Treasurer
Rick Gillett -Trustee
Al Baird -Trustee

The agenda for the August 15, 2011 meeting was approved as presented with a motion by Rick Gillett; seconded by Al Baird. **Motion Carried.** The minutes for the July 18, 2011 meeting were approved as presented. Treasurer's report and bills were read and approved with a motion by Jean Hoffman; seconded by Rick Gillett. **Motion Carried.**

Board read and signed the 7/18/11 closed session minutes.

Unfinished Business:

1. 10050 3-Mile Siding Project

Mark Fleet, Vergennes Building Inspector, sent a letter to the Board discussing the unfinished home located at 10050 3-Mile Rd. The Board decided to send the letter to Jim Doezema, the township attorney, to see what he recommends.

2. Alden Nash West Final Paving - Request for Extension-

The contractor who is paving Alden Nash Road requested an extension of the deadline to finish the project. He has had trouble with the heavy rain this summer, which has led to some erosion. Wittenbach motioned to extend the end date to November 1st; seconded by Gillett. **Motion** Carried

New Business:

1. Bailey Cemetery Request - Space 64 Improvements-

A family has requested space 64 in the Bailey Cemetery. This family wants to be located near their other family members. They will be told that that plot is not available at this time, as it is used to pile up the extra dirt from the cemetery.

2. Assessing Volunteer Project - Assistance with Field Reviews-

Assessor Debbie Rashid's son and his friend are assisting with the field reviews on a voluntary basis. Stone informed the board that they have been given temporary access to the hall so that they can work when township is closed.

3. Hunting Question - Township Property Use Policy-

A citizen asked township for permission to hunt on property located on Lincoln Lake Rd. He was informed that is not allowed. The board decided to post signs stating that there is no hunting allowed on township property.

4. PA 116 Request - Dennis Heffron-

Dennis Heffron requested the board approve the PA 116 for his property. Heffron supplied the board with all the needed documents. Stone motioned to approve the PA 116 for Dennis Heffron's property; seconded by Hoffman. **Motion Carried**.

5. Ag Question - Building Permit Needed for Horse Stable?

Board discussed whether or not a building permit was needed for a horse stable. Zoning Administrator Jeanne Vandersloot discussed the differences between stables and barns needing building permits for construction. The board was in favor of keeping the same criteria currently used to determine whether or not a building permit is needed.

Citizen's Comments: There were no citizen's comments Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm. Respectfully Submitted,