

Vergennes Township

Regular Meeting Minutes

December 17, 2012

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
Al Baird -Trustee

Members Absent: Rick Gillett -Trustee

The agenda for the December 17, 2012 meeting was approved as presented. Motion made by Jean Hoffman; seconded by Tim Wittenbach. **Motion Carried.** The minutes for the November 19, 2012 meeting were approved as presented. Treasurer's report and bills were read and approved with the addition of Jody Yaw Janitorial Service bill. Motion made by Jean Hoffman; seconded by Al Baird. **Motion Carried.**

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. Appointments –

Wittenbach motioned to appoint Duane Rasch to the Planning Commission for a **term expiring December 2015**; seconded by Stone. **Motion Carried.**

Hoffman motioned to appoint William Schreur and Doug Wester to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a **term expiring December 2015**; seconded by Baird. **Motion Carried.**

There were no new applications for the Board of Review. Wittenbach motioned to reappoint the current members **for two year terms expiring January 2015**; seconded by Baird. **Motion Carried.**

Stone motioned to appoint William Schreur on the Construction Board of Appeals for a **term expiring December 2015**; seconded by Wittenbach. **Motion Carried.**

Stone motioned to reappoint Tim Wittenbach to the LCTV Fund Advisory Board; seconded by Baird. The board noted that Jeff Bunn will continue to be the township representative to the LACF Advisory Board. Hoffman motioned to reappoint Mari Stone and Betsy Davidson to the LARA Board; seconded by Wittenbach. Hoffman motioned to reappoint Daniel Williams to the Airport Board; seconded by Wittenbach. Stone motioned to reappoint Terry Conley to the Grattan Vergennes Sewer Board; seconded by Hoffman. Stone motioned to reappoint Tim Wittenbach and Jim Herb to the Lowell Area Fire Authority Board; seconded by Hoffman. **All Motions Carried.**

2. Collection of Summer Taxes for LAS, GRCC & KISD-

Hoffman reminded the board that this is a formality that is done every year. Hoffman motioned to plan on collecting taxes for LAS, GRCC and KISD; seconded by Stone. **Motion Carried.**

3. Meeting Dates 2013-

Board discussed that LARA Board meets on the seconded Wednesday of each month and the Fire Board meets on a third Monday of each quarter. Stone motioned to adopt the 2013 calendar as presented and to publish the notices; seconded by Baird. **Motion Carried.**

4. Holiday Hours for 2013-

Holiday hours were also noted on the calendar. Stone motioned to approve the holiday hours as listed on the calendar for 2013; seconded by Hoffman. **Motion Carried.**

5. Set Budget Meeting Date-

The board discussed some possible dates for the budget meeting and January 9th at 10AM worked for everyone. January 23rd will be the backup date in case January 9th doesn't work. The board also talked about the annual meeting date. They decided that March 18th at 6:30PM worked for everyone. Stone motioned to hold the budget meeting on January 9th at 10AM and the annual meeting on March 18th at 6:30PM; seconded by Wittenbach. **Motion Carried.**

Citizen's Comments:

GM Ross informed the board of the great value that the Wittenbach Wege Center has. He thinks that the citizens of Vergennes Township should be made more aware of this marvelous facility. There are three big things currently happening at the Wittenbach Wege Center: the Kent County Christmas Bird Count, Christmas Tree Recycling and Snow Shoe Rentals. Stone asked if they had handouts she could put in the office. Ross was not sure, but said he would look into it.

Duane Rasch thanked the board for reappointing him to the Planning Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mari Stone, Vergennes Township Clerk