

Banks Township Board Minutes

July 16, 2001

- 1. Supervisor Daniel Wieland called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM at the Banks Township Hall. Present were Supervisor Wieland, Clerk Donna Heeres, Treasurer Jacob Veenstra. Trustees Peter VanderArk and Marvin Rubingh were absent. Also present: Mark Groenink.**
- 2. The minutes of the last regular meeting were presented for approval. MOTION Wieland, Heeres, CARRIED to approve the minutes as presented.**
- 3. The Treasurer's report of Incomes and Balances was given. General Fund Balance: \$355,211.30; Fire Fund: \$148,933.36; Vehicle Fund: \$18,704.00; Liquor Fund: \$1,640.00; Road Fund: \$51,023.98. Grand Total: \$575,512.64.**
- 4. Fire Board: Met today. Rescue truck is in need of replacement. Looking for a replacement vehicle and questioned Township Board re: look for new vs. used. Will get prices for both and report back. CO2 sensor is requested for fire dept equipment. Cost is \$1650 including S&H. Meeting room furnace is not working. Will get estimates/proposals for replacement. MOTION Heeres, Wieland, CARRIED to purchase CO2 sensor. Discussed survey done on property adjacent to the Ellsworth Fire Hall & discrepancies that were reported. Those have been clarified & the fire hall is properly placed on the property.**
- 5. Cellular Tower: Attorney fees that were spent on the recovery of the delinquent funds from the tower company have yet to be recovered. The ground is still rocky and uneven, making mowing very difficult. No co-location agreements have been received as promised. Will request again through attorney. MOTION Wieland, Veenstra, CARRIED to authorize the attorney to collect the legal fees associated with this matter.**
- 6. Village Planning Commission had public hearings that we were notified about for Ellsworth Co-op for change of use of the old lumber company and Ellsworth Christian Reformed Church to use Ruis house for counseling center.**
- 7. Zoning: Bishaw violation is being cleaned up. DeRoo non-conforming use is being investigated. Gould needs a variance and is scheduled for ZBA hearing September 5.**
- 8. ACNA meeting was held July 2.**
- 9. MSU Citizen Planner Program: MOTION Wieland, Veenstra, CARRIED to pay the registration fee for any member of the Planning Commission, ZBA, Zoning Administrator or Township Board to attend.**
- 10. Tax Tribunal Cases: Donaldson & Consumers Energy still pending.**

11. **Roads: Speed limit on East Jordan Road: Township request for evaluation has been forwarded to the Michigan State Police for speed study. Need to call MTA about why the township's input is not heeded. Central Lake Road repairs started today with replacement of culverts. Request to cut down the knoll south of Pete's Landing has been forwarded to the Road Commission. Road Payment for Church Road: MOTION Heeres, Wieland, CARRIED to pay \$51,023.98 from the Road Fund and the balance of \$34,162.02 from the General Fund. This work came in at \$3300 under bid.**
12. **Township Hall: Bench/stone slab available for the township use as a bench. The legs were destroyed and will need to be remade. Mark Groenink agreed to move the slab to the hall. Clerk will contact a cement mason to build the legs.**
13. **Planning Commission: Supervisor appoints Nancy Ritsema and Marv Rubingh to terms to expire July 1, 2004. This is to replace Gary Strange and reappoint Marv. Supervisor appoints Tina McDuffie, Rudy Passehl, Dennis Penfold, Jack Danbert and Jim Wilhelm to the ZBA. Terms to expire July 1, 2002. MOTION Heeres, Wieland, CARRIED to approve the appointments. Recording secretary for the Planning Commission was discussed. The Chairman requested this. Supervisor has talked with Irene Shooks and she is willing to serve. MOTION Wieland, Veenstra, CARRIED to hire Irene Shooks as planning commission recording secretary with compensation to be \$10 per hour.**
14. **Ellsworth Co-op LP Program: MOTION Wieland, Veenstra CARRIED to participate in the 100% Pre-buy program.**
15. **Village/Township Recreation Plan: MOTION Heeres, Wieland, CARRIED to add Township Park driveway improvements, grills, benches and tables to the plan for 2002. Estimated to be \$15,000 local money and grants.**
16. **Cemetery: Groenink reports that the water inlet on the watering tank at the Atwood Cemetery is not big enough to accommodate the fire hose. Will make it bigger so firemen don't get wet filling the tank! The cemetery cart (for dirt) needs painting. Groenink will get prices.**
17. **Fire Dept: The brakes on the Freightliner Equipt truck are on recall and will be fixed July 18.**
18. **Bills represented by the attached list were presented for approval for payment. MOTION Wieland, Veenstra, CARRIED to pay the bills.**
19. **The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda L Heeres
Clerk

Banks Township
Check Register for July 2001

Chk #	Date		Account Number	Amount
1386	7/16/01	Antrim County Clerk Data Processing	101-258-80100	176.73
1387	7/16/01	Antrim County Road Church Road	204-204-80100	85,186.00
1388	7/16/01	AT&T Twp & FD Long Distan	Several Accounts	13.79
1389	7/16/01	Atwood Mini Mart In FD Gasoline	206-726-95700	124.20
1390	7/16/01	Banks Township Fire Rescue Training (tui	101-652-72000	645.00
1391	7/15/01	Charlevoix State Ba 941 Payment July 01,	Several Accounts	1,129.19
1392	7/16/01	Consumers Energy Twp Hall, Bank Bldg	Several Accounts	196.51
1393	7/16/01	Donna L. Heeres PO Box Rent, Electio	Several Accounts	62.00
1394	7/16/01	Ellsworth Farmers E Twp Hall, Park& FD	Several Accounts	55.47
1395	7/16/01	John Hastings Rescue Rig R134	101-652-72600	41.57
1396	7/16/01	Northern MI Welding Rescue Dept Oxygen	101-652-72600	23.18
1397	7/16/01	UpNorth Publication PC Adv	101-410-90000	27.40
1398	7/16/01	Verizon North Twp Hall & FD Teleph	Several Accounts	76.39
1399	7/16/01	WM of Michigan - No Twp Hall	101-265-95500	104.64
1400	7/16/01	Work 'n Play Shop Cemetery Mower Parts	101-276-72600	34.62
1401	7/16/01	Young, Graham & Els Attorney-Qtrly & To	Several Accounts	758.75
		Net cash for fund 101		-3,217.25
		Net cash for fund 204		-85,186.00
		Net cash for fund 206		-252.19
		Total		-88,655.44