

Banks Township Board

Monday, March 15, 2004

1. Supervisor Dan Wieland called the Regular meeting of the Banks Township Board to order at 7:30 PM at the Township Hall. Present were Supervisor Wieland, Clerk Donna Heeres, Treasurer Jacob Veenstra, Trustee Marvin Rubingh and Trustee Thomas Mann. Also present: Fire Chief Mark Groenink, Bill Austin.
2. The Minutes of the last regular Board meeting were read. MOTION Mann, Wieland, CARRIED to approve the minutes as presented.
3. The Treasurer's report of incomes and balances was given. General Fund Balance: \$221,536.98 with \$100,000 due from the Fire Fund; Fire Fund Balance: \$128,409.59, with \$100,000 due the General Fund; Vehicle Fund Balance: \$0; Roads Fund Balance: \$57,600.26; Liquor Fund Balance: \$2,074.33: Grand Total: \$409,621.16.
4. Public Comment: None.
5. Broadband: Repeater Antennae to be placed on Austin's Silo not the Ellsworth Water Tower. The Web Page will be completed and a CD will be available in a few days.
6. Newsletter: Plan to mail by April Meeting. Clean Up Day will be May 22. Will include info on the length of service for all township officials in the article about the election.
7. Fire Dept: Groenink reports there have been 61 runs so far in 4 ½ months. Recent structure fire in Ellsworth was nearly a total loss.
8. American Tower lawsuit: the suit was filed by township legal counsel and has been dismissed as a check is expected soon. Estimated payment of \$24,000.
9. The meeting was recessed at 8:14 PM.
10. Public Hearing on the proposed General, Vehicle, Roads & Liquor Funds Budgets for 2004-05 was convened at 8:15 PM.
11. Supervisor Wieland presented the proposed budgets with rationale for the changes. The Board members had opportunity for input. Discussion about need for ballot question on the August ballot about the renewal of the Road Millage.
12. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 9:06 PM.
13. The regular meeting reconvened at 9:07 PM.
14. Budget Adoption: MOTION Wieland, Mann, CARRIED to approve the General Fund Budget as proposed. MOTION Wieland, Veenstra, CARRIED to approve the Fire Fund Budget as proposed. MOTION Heeres, Rubingh, CARRIED to approve the Liquor Fund Budget as proposed. MOTION Wieland, Heeres, CARRIED to approve the Road Fund Budget as proposed. MOTION Wieland, Rubingh, CARRIED to close/inactivate the Vehicle Fund.
15. Transfers: MOTION Wieland, Rubingh, CARRIED to transfer \$60 from the General Fund Interest to the Road Fund; Transfer \$300 from the General Fund Interest to the Fire Fund to represent interest earned. MOTION Heeres, Wieland, CARRIED to transfer \$400 from the Liquor Fund to the General Fund to represent administrative fees.
16. Budget Amendments: MOTION Rubingh, Mann, CARRIED to approve the budget amendments as drafted by the Clerk and Supervisor.

17. PTAF: MOTION Heeres, Veenstra, CARRIED to write off as a loss the excess cost of tax collection over the PTAF earned.
18. April Meeting: Set the next meeting date as Monday, April 26, 2004 @ 7:30 P.M. due to supervisor having time off for a surgical procedure.
19. Assessor Office Hours: Amy Jenema has requested the Board approve modification of office hours to the first Tuesday of each month from 9AM to 5PM and by appointment.
20. Planning Commission: Public Hearing scheduled for April 13 @ 7:30 PM for Al & Mary Corp for a manufacturing & retail outlet from their home. Master Plan review and update progressing. RV Amendment has been sent to the Planning Consultant for composition. Mobile Home Amendment to allow 14 ft width in Agricultural Zone only is in composition phase. Migrant Housing amendment to allow multiple dwelling units on parcels in Agricultural Zone for farm employees. Discussion on eliminating the R2 Zone and changing to Agricultural. Also, to allow sand and gravel extraction under general provisions to include the hours of operation.
21. ACNA: Meeting was held March 9. No report available.
22. Village Grant: Letter from Village President Hugh Campbell asking for resolution of support. Questions arose about how much financial and in kind support is expected. Supervisor will call him to request clarification.
23. Lioness: Donation received for \$50 for heat during the annual Christmas Bazaar.
24. Correspondence: Sheriff Report of Complaints was reviewed. County Commissioners Minutes for November thru January were distributed. Letter from Norwood Planning Commission informing us of their Master Plan update is in progress.
25. Dangerous Buildings: DeVrou Home on US 31 that burned last winter is still not cleaned up. Will ask Zoning Administrator to contact them about clean up and cite under the blight or dangerous buildings ordinance as appropriate.
26. Bills represented by the attached list were presented for approval for payment. MOTION Veenstra, Wieland, CARRIED to pay the bills as presented.
27. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna L. Heeres
Banks Township Clerk

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Check Register for March 20

Chk #	Date		Account Number	Amount
2650	3/15/04	A D Assessing, Inc. Assessor	101-173-70100	1,373.37
2651	3/15/04	Antrim County Clerk Assessm	101-173-95500	693.38
2652	3/15/04	Carol Waldowski Bd of Revi	101-247-70100	155.00
2653	3/15/04	Central Lake Townsh Waste R	Several Accounts	251.96
2654	3/15/04	Charlevoix State Ba 941 Paym	Several Accounts	1,204.04
2655	3/15/04	Consumers Energy Twp Hall	Several Accounts	229.00
2656	3/15/04	Daniel J. Wieland Bd of Rev,	Several Accounts	64.50
2657	3/15/04	Donna L. Heeres Twp Hall S	Several Accounts	116.41
2658	3/15/04	Ellsworth Farmers E Cem & F	Several Accounts	25.27
2659	3/15/04	Great Lakes Energy Atwood	101-448-92100	412.01
2660	3/15/04	Groenink's Inc. FD Misc.	Several Accounts	406.53
2661	3/15/04	Hilltop Repair & PI Twp Hall, F	Several Accounts	720.00
2662	3/15/04	John A. Fant Liquor Inspe	212-212-80200	100.00
2663	3/15/04	Morning Star Publis Parcel Div	Several Accounts	742.00
2664	3/15/04	Northern MI Welding Rescue	101-652-72600	51.92
2665	3/15/04	Printing Systems Elections	101-191-95500	207.15
2666	3/15/04	Quill Corporation Office Sup	101-101-95400	375.84
2667	3/15/04	Ron Ritsema Bd of Revie	101-247-70100	190.00
2668	3/15/04	Sandy Alward Bd of Revie	101-247-70100	190.00
2669	3/15/04	Staley's Service Ce Twp Hall	101-265-95500	130.00
2670	3/15/04	Verizon North Twp Hall, F	Several Accounts	161.24
2671	3/15/04	WM of Michigan - No Twp Hall	101-265-95500	75.04
2672	3/15/04	Xerox Corporation Copier Ma	101-101-95400	17.00
2673	3/15/04	Young, Graham & Els Attorne	Several Accounts	553.57
2674	3/30/04	Antrim County Clerk Data Pro	101-258-80100	330.65
2675	3/30/04	Central Lake Distri Library Vo	101-753-96502	200.00
2676	3/30/04	Gall's Inc. Rescue Dept E	101-652-72600	41.44
2677	3/30/04	Great Lakes Energy FD Atwo	206-920-92000	36.00
2678	3/30/04	Heiman Fire Equipme FD Halo	206-726-95500	48.40
2679	3/30/04	John Hastings Twp Hall S	101-265-95500	16.16
2680	3/30/04	Jordan Valley Distr Library Vo	101-753-96503	20.00
2681	3/30/04	Linde Gas LLC FD Air for P	206-726-72700	110.71
2682	3/30/04	Medtronics Physio-C Rescue	101-652-72600	187.67
2683	3/30/04	Northern MI Welding Rescue	101-652-72600	29.86
2684	3/30/04	Northwest MI Commun Food S	101-265-95500	125.00
2685	3/30/04	WM of Michigan - No Twp Hall	101-265-95500	75.44
Net cash for fund 101				-8,538.89
Net cash for fund 206				-1,027.67
Net cash for fund 212				-100.00
Total				-9,666.56