

Banks Township Board Special Meeting
October 2, 1995
held at the Banks Township Hall, Ellsworth, Michigan

1. The meeting was called to order by the Supervisor Daniel Wieland at 7:30 PM. Board members present included Supervisor Wieland, Clerk Donna Heeres, Treasurer Jacob Veenstra, Trustees Peter VanderArk and Gary Strange. Also present Mark Groenink, Jerroll Drenth, Richard Tessmer.

2. Township Hall Parking Lot: Review of the revised plan as presented by Jerroll Drenth. Bid includes fill dirt, leveling, site preparation, paving and driveway connecting to the existing parking area. Does not include guard rails or steps. Total cost to be \$11,500.00. Richard Tessmer agreed to moving his dumpster to a concrete pad with a surrounding fence that he would install and maintain on the south east corner of the lot, behind the beauty shop. The Township agreed to lease that portion of the property to Mr. Tessmer on an annual renewal agreement for \$1 per year. Will ask attorney Jim Young to draft a lease agreement. MOTION Wieland, Strange, CARRIED to hire Drenth Brothers to do the fill and preparation work on the parking lot and coordinate the paving. To be done this fall if at all possible.

3. Roads: Barnes Road improvements to meet plow standards is estimated at \$5,202 for the western 550 feet. MOTION Heeres, VanderArk CARRIED to approve this expenditure provided the requesting property owner agrees to fund 1/3 of the cost: \$1,734.


4. Rezoning: Supervisor shared letter he received from Jack Shipman in opposition to the rezoning. Clerk shared letter received from attorney representing James Skillman and others.

5. Blight Ordinance Amendment: Clerk presented draft of proposed amendment submitted by attorney Jim Young. Board members to review for possible action at the October regular meeting.

6. Fire Dept.: Chief Groenink reported that the cost of recertification of the pumpers will be a minimum of \$850. Cost was \$1336 two years ago. The company will be in the area and could do the work on October 17. MOTION VanderArk, Veenstra, CARRIED to have the work done and will amend the budget as needed.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna L. Heeres, Clerk