

Sciota Township Board Meeting

August 9, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM with all board members present and the Pledge of Allegiance was given. Guests were Bob Johnstone, Nancy Koerner, Hank Cross, Nancy Cross, Carl George, Eric Schuman, Henrietta Sparkes, Bill Thelen, Mrs. White, Jody Decker, Pam Schuman, Ed Buskirk, Steve Workman, Pat White, and Deputy Flores.

Treasurer McGarry stated that the July minutes should have reflected that Supervisor Matthews informed the board that there would be no July Board of Review meeting.

Trustee Koerner moved, supported by Supervisor Matthews, to approve the minutes as printed, and all were in favor.

Treasurer McGarry gave the treasurer's report. Clerk Johnstone moved, supported by Trustee Lee, to approve the report subject to audit, and all were in favor.

Commissioner's report – The board of commissioners is in their summer schedule now. Community Development will work on staying open. They have an appraisal on the water tower property and the county is planning to selling it.

Sheriff's department – Deputy Flores gave a report on activity in the township.

Public comment – Mrs. Decker answered questions about her requested land split. After clarifications showing that the split meets all criteria Clerk Johnstone moved, supported by Trustee Koerner, to approve the split, and all were in favor.

Mr. Workman answered questions about his requested land split. After clarifications showing that the split meets all criteria Trustee Koerner moved, supported by Supervisor Matthews, to approve the split and all were in favor.

Board reports – Supervisor Matthews presented information on a training session presented by the Farmland and Community Alliance. After lengthy discussion, Clerk Johnstone moved to send all members of the planning commission and Supervisor Matthews to this training. Supervisor Matthews supported. A vote shows Trustee Koerner yes, Trustee Lee yes, Treasurer McGarry no, Clerk Johnstone yes, and Supervisor Matthews yes. The motion passed. Trustee Koerner moved, supported by Clerk Johnstone, to authorize Supervisor Matthews to spend the money for the training sessions and he will be reimbursed in September. A roll call vote shows Trustee Koerner yes, Trustee Lee yes, Treasurer McGarry no, Clerk Johnstone yes, and Supervisor Matthews abstained. The motion carried.

Clerk Johnstone noted that the 425 agreement between Sciota Township and the City of Laingsburg has been recorded by the state, and the paperwork has been received. Trustee Lee said that the emergency mitigation group will be meeting in Owosso.

Zoning Permits –

45033	Fred/Katha Moye	9121 Bennington Rd	New home/att. Garage
45508	Jason Schlaack	10017 W Bennington Rd	Attached pole garage
45611	Paul Forcier	West Tyrell Rd	Mod. home/basement
45623	George Strait	8457 Doyle Rd	Inground pool
45718	Vonda Hamilton	7639 Bennington Rd	Covered and open deck
45727	Wm Blick	4765 S. Meridian Rd.	New home/att. garage
45729	Wm. Blick	4765 S. Meridian Rd	Pole barn

Building Permits –

45032	Fred/Katha Moye	9121 Bennington Rd	New home/att. garage
45509	Jason Schlaak	10017 W. Bennington Rd	Attached pole garage
45624	George Strait	8457 Doyle Rd	Inground pool
45670	Paul Forcier	West Tyrell Rd	Mod. home/basement
45719	Vonda Hamilton	7639 Bennington Rd	Covered and open deck
45728	Wm Blick	4765 S. Meridian Rd.	New home/att. garage
45730	Wm. Blick	4765. Meridian Rd	Pole barn

Board of Review – After we were informed that there was to be no July Board of Review session, the county informed Supervisor Matthews that a meeting did have to be held. Jimmy Spangler changed property from 0% to 100% homestead. (78-03-200-007-05) Vickie March's property was uncapped and changed in taxable value from 44675 to 50800 because of a name change in ownership. (78-009-02-200-004-01)

Planning commission – The county has changed their verbiage from “wild and exotic” to “wild carnivorous” in their wild animal discussions. The Road Commission is in discussion about requiring storm drains, curbs, gutters, and paving on all new roads including private roads. Bill Thelen mentioned that they didn't have current zoning ordinance books. After discussion, Supervisor Matthews moved, supported by Trustee Lee, to purchase five (5) of the most current Shiawassee County Zoning Ordinance books. A roll call shows Clerk Johnstone yes, Supervisor Matthews yes, Trustee Koerner yes, Trustee Lee yes, and Treasurer McGarry yes. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Emergency services – Henry Cross said that the Station 2 footings are in. The Authority has signed a lease in perpetuity, for as long as Woodhull Township stays in the Authority. The Authority has received a \$13,000+ grant from Homeland Security. They will use the money for training in schools, as well as smoke detectors and batteries for those in need.

New business – After discussion, Trustee Lee moved, supported by Treasurer McGarry, to have the old voting machines removed soon with no expense to the township, if possible. A vote shows Trustee Lee, Treasurer McGarry, Clerk Johnstone, and Supervisor Matthews in favor and Trustee Koerner opposed. By a vote of 4-1, the motion passed.

Trustee Koerner moved, supported by Supervisor Matthews, to pay the bills. All were in favor and the motion passed.

6570	Phillip Matthews	532.29
6571	Lynne McGarry	497.55
6572	Judith Johnstone	588.95
6573	Floyd Koerner, Jr	136.36
6574	Norma Lee	98.48
6575	Henry Cross	98.48
6576	Timothy J. McGarry	98.48
6577	Robert Johnstone	227.70
6578	William Thelen	75.76
6579	Matt Stahlin	75.76
6580	Douglas Walker	75.76
6581	Larry C. Sparkes	75.76
6582	Dale Baumgras	283.93
6583	Consumers Energy	12.39
6584	Shiawassee County Treasurer	1038.75
6585	The Argus-Press	80.50
6586	Election Systems & Software	17.53
6587	Fidlar Doubleday	172.07
6588	Election Systems & Software	107.36
6589	M.A.G.N.E.T	1801.00
6590	Carl George	30.00
6591	Shiawassee Cty Road Commission	41183.70
6592	Manulife	195.43
6593	Thelma Smith	206.81
6594	Shirley Smith	166.26
6595	Mavis Norder	166.26
6596	Marilyn Baumgras	166.26
6597	DeAnn Smith	166.26
6598	Manulife	416.66
6599	Printing Systems, Inc	55.20

Supervisor Matthews moved, supported by Trustee Lee, to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor, the motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:49PM.

Submitted by
Judith Johnstone
Sciota Township Clerk