

**TYRONE TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
PARKIN LANE ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED 2010-2011 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
APPROVED MINUTES – MARCH 2, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Schmidt called the meeting of the Tyrone Township Board to order with the Pledge of Allegiance on March 2, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tyrone Township Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present: Supervisor Andrew Schmidt, Clerk Keith Kremer, Treasurer Dave Kurtz, Trustees Steve Hasbrouck, Don Peitz, and Brian Miles. Trustee Sue Anderson arrived at 8:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING 7:00 P.M.

Review of the proposed Parkin Lane Road Improvement Project special assessment district.

Supervisor Schmidt opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Clerk Kremer gave a presentation of what the project would entail, reviewing how the road would be repaved, and explained the estimated costs of the project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Matt Evo (11022 Parkin Lane) asked why the cement portion on the hill wouldn't be done. Steve Nagy from Gould Engineering said they did not feel it needed to be done and it was a cost-saving measure. Mr. Evo is also concerned about the safety of not having the road paved; people swerve around the potholes and drive on lawns.

Ken Maxwell (7461 Linden Rd.) thinks the road will need at least a 4 inch layer of asphalt.

Diana Beckemeyer (4 Rockridge Ct.) owns vacant land on Parkin Lane. Due to the recession, she does not have the money for repair to the road and will likely lose her property. Fixing the road in this economy will not increase property values.

Rob Cummings (12113 Parkin Lane) addressed the inclusion of the site condo by letter (dated Jan. 30, 2010). Mr. Cummings said the site condo organization should pay for their portion of their street so the subdivision owners are not improperly assessed for repairs that are not their responsibility. Clerk Kremer answered that he received legal opinion and because the site condo parcels fronting Parkin Lane are not part of the common area, the signatures of the record owners of the parcels are sufficient and legal. Those record owners will be assessed with all the other record owners on Parkin Lane. Clerk Kremer said he could provide a copy of the attorney's opinion to Mr. Cummings.

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Nabila Sefa (12065 Parkin Lane) agrees with Diana Beckemeyer: it is a lot of money.

Mike Scheiven (11685 Parkin Lane) considers this an investment to his property.

Lawrence Sefa (12051 Parkin Lane) said if times were different residents should get a new road, but other avenues should be looked at. He also does not believe that repaving will increase the property value.

Scott Dietrich (13505 White Lake Rd.) told of his experience with his road paving special assessment process.

Terrence Andrysiak (11831 Parkin Lane) said it is the responsibility and obligation of the residents of Parkin Lane to maintain the road.

Rochelle Beckemeyer (11347 Hartland Rd.) said that while she appreciates the hard work Nicole Evo and Cheryl Andrysiak have done to organize this process, and that she also has concerns about safety issues, she cannot afford to pay the cost. She is trying to sell her house and finds that potential buyers are concerned about property taxes not the road.

LETTERS OF OPPOSITION

Robert Cummings, January 30, 2010

Rochelle Beckemeyer, March 2, 2010

Robert Beckemeyer, March 2, 2010

Lawrence Sefa, March 2, 2010

Nabiha Sefa, March 2, 2010

The public hearing closed at 7:48 p.m.

PUBLIC REMARKS FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Paul Rogers from Howell introduced himself. Mr. Rogers will be running as a Republican candidate for the State Senate seat in the August primary election.

Scott Dietrich (13505 White Lake Rd.) asked the Supervisor to resign because of his health issues.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – OR CHANGES

Clerk Kremer moved to approve the agenda as amended. (Trustee Miles seconded). The motion carried; all ayes.

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The modifications are as follows:

Added Unfinished Business #3 Update of the fire service contracts.
Added New Business #1 Discussion of the Parkin Lane special assessment project.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

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Trustee Miles moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. (Trustee Peitz seconded). The motion carried; all ayes.

The modifications are as follows:

Removed the Clerk's Warrants and Bill

COMMUNICATIONS

#1 City of Fenton Fire Department 2009 Annual Report

Clerk Kremer moved to receive and place on file Communication #1 as presented. (Trustee Hasbrouck seconded). The motion carried; all ayes.

PUBLIC REMARKS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#1 Budget reconciliation.

The board discussed the budget. Twenty-five percent cuts to the Planning and Zoning departments, and dropping in-lieu-of insurance benefits and over-time pay for meetings were discussed. Supervisor Schmidt pointed out that one employee in particular would be affected by all of those cuts. Supervisor Schmidt asked the board to consider his plan where part of the salaries of the three officers would be donated and all township employees would have a reduction in pay instead of putting it on the backs of two. Discussion ensued.

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PUBLIC HEARING 8:30 P.M.

Review of the Proposed 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Township Budget.

Supervisor Schmidt opened the public hearing at 8:35 p.m.

Clerk Kremer reviewed where the budget is today and the challenges the township faces.

PUBLIC COMMENT

George VanHecke (Zoning Administrator) said that despite construction being down in the township, he does many other duties. He has worked for the township for 32 years. If his hours are cut, he will lose his health insurance. He said the Treasurer does not work a 32 hour work week but still receives health insurance.

Judy VanHecke (7530 Parkwood Dr.) asked if the board has looked at the big picture of cutting employees.

Leloni Knechtges (8424 Dean Rd.) said that George loves his job and has many spent years doing it. Until her and George's brother-in-law started coming into the hall, and began complaining to certain officials, George had no problems at the township hall. George, she said, has only a few more years until retirement. She said George has been treated unfairly.

Barbara Burtch (Planning Commission Recording Secretary) said she found out her hours were being cut by reading the newspaper and by people in the grocery store. She also said, in reply to Trustee Miles' statement, that she does not spend 70% of her time doing minutes. She spends much of her time helping people with boundary realignments, shared drive or site review questions, plat maps, and finding documents; the township is a service oriented business and much of her time is spent helping residents.

Lawrence Sefa (12051 Parkin Lane) asked the board to look at the human element and if they could do without some other surplus and keep their [Zoning Administrator and Planning Commission Recording Secretary] jobs.

Scott Dietrich (13505 White Lake Rd.) told the audience there are important issues coming up in the township that as residents people might want to get educated on. He said if people came to the meetings they'd understand why the board is cutting the way are.

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Mr. Dietrich wondered whether the sheriff service contract is worth the cost of the extra coverage. Clerk Kremer said that the average response time from a police call would be 40 minutes compared to the current 18 minutes.

Bob Byerly (8215 Linden Rd.) said the board answers to the public and he sympathizes with the decisions the board has to make.

The public hearing closed at 8:55 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#2 Request of Curt Schupbach to appeal the number of REUs on his property.

Treasurer Kurtz moved to table the request of Curt Schupbach to appeal the number of REUs on his property to the first meeting in April. (Clerk Kremer seconded). The motion carried; all ayes.

#3 Update of the fire contracts.

Trustee Miles reported that Fenton Township, the City of Fenton, and the Hartland Fire Departments agreed on a coverage map to service the township. The new service boundaries take effect April 1, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

#1 Discussion of the Parkin Lane special assessment project.

After listening to comments from Parkin Lane residents during the public hearing, the board discussed the pros and cons of going forward with the road project. Trustee Hasbrouck moved to go forward with the Parkin Lane special assessment project with the added caveat—based on concerns of the board—that if any property in the district defaults the remaining properties will absorb the special assessment. (Trustee Miles seconded). The motion carried; 6 ayes, 1 nay (Anderson).

#2 Approval to attend meetings via videoconferencing.

Trustee Anderson moved to adopt the policy of allowing trustees to attend board meetings via videoconferencing. (Trustee Peitz seconded). The motion carried; all ayes.

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#3 Contractor's Application for Payment No. 7.

Trustee Hasbrouck moved to approve the payment of the Contractor's Application for Payment No. 7. (Trustee Miles seconded). The motion carried; all ayes.

#4 Road chloride approval.

Treasurer Kurtz moved to select Michigan Chloride to provide chloride treatments for dust control on the roads. (Trustee Peitz seconded). The motion carried; all ayes.

#5 Closed session regarding the sale of the White Lake Road property.

**RESOLUTION #100301
CLOSED SESSION**

Clerk Kremer resolved to convene in closed session to discuss confidential attorney-client communications. (Treasurer Kurtz seconded).

* * * * * **Closed Session Minutes** * * * * *

Clerk Kremer moved to reconvene in open session. (Treasurer Kurtz seconded.)

Treasurer Kurtz moved to table what was discussed in the closed session to the Special Meeting scheduled on March 15, 2010. (Clerk Kremer seconded).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

None.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL AND CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk's Warrants and Bills were not submitted for approval.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:31 p.m.