

**MINUTES FOR APRIL 5, 2010  
MEETING OF  
WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP**

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM by Supervisor Doug Byas. Board members present, in addition to the Supervisor were: Clerk Nancy Mulder-Paul, Treasurer Carolyn L. Wise and Trustees Barb Thole and Larry Bennett. Lt. Gail F. Sampsell from the Kalamazoo County Sheriffs Department and six citizens were also present.

Supervisor Byas suspended regular Township business at 7:33 PM so that Lt. Sampsell could inform the Board about the first Quarter 2010 crime statistics for Wakeshma Township. After Lt. Sampsell's presentation, Supervisor Byas resumed regular Township business at 7:38

Minutes from the March 1, 2010 meeting were presented to each Board member prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Supervisor Byas to accept the March 1, 2010 minutes as written and Trustee Bennett seconded. Voice vote, passed.

**CLERK'S REPORT:** Clerk Mulder-Paul presented a bill of monthly payment in the amount of \$417.95. This amount reflects payments made after the 2008-2009 Annual Meeting and Final Budget Hearing. The Supervisor asked the Board for permission to allow the Clerk to amend the Budget as needed in the future prior to monthly Board meetings, as long as the Clerk reports the budget changes at the next Board meeting. Motion to pay the bills and to allow the Clerk to amend the budget was made by Treasurer Wise and seconded by Trustee Thole. Voice vote, passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Wise reported to the Board the account balances as follows: Tax Checking- \$97.45, Tax Savings- \$458,093.02, General Checking- \$27,920.08 and General Savings- \$46,612.48. A motion was made by Clerk Mulder-Paul, seconded by Trustee Bennett to accept the Treasurer's report. Voice vote, passed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** - none

**ZONING/ORDINANCE REPORT:** Supervisor Byas informed the Board that the Planning Commission would hold it's public hearing on May 10, 2010 at 7:00 PM. Clerk Mulder-Paul told the Board that the public notice for the public hearing would be in Saturday April 17, 2010 Commercial Express. Mr. Ed Woodhams asked the clerk to supply copies of Ordinance # 37 to any Planning Commission member who needed one.

**BOARD MEMBERS REPORT:** Trustee Thole reported to the Board that she had received numerous complaints concerning dust on 44<sup>th</sup> Street between W Ave and X Ave. Supervisor Byas indicated the road project on that stretch of 44<sup>th</sup> St. had not been completed and still needed gravel. The contractor would complete the project soon. The first application for dust control was scheduled for the second or third week in June. Trustee Thole also reported complaints about a broken section of fence and long grass in the park.

Clerk Mulder-Paul told the Board that monthly recycling had been rescheduled for the week end of the 9<sup>th</sup>.

**OLD BUSINESS:** none

**NEW BUSINESS:** Clerk Mulder-Paul presented the 210-2011 Wakeshma Township Insurance policy to the Board. The only change from the 2008-2009 policy was a recommended increase in Zoning Liability. A motion was made by Clerk Mulder-Paul to increase the liability to \$250,000. and was supported by Treasurer Wise. Voice vote, passed.

Supervisor Byas told the Board that the Township hall furnace failed and that he had called Bartholomew Heating and Cooling for repairs. Supervisor Byas also requested that an estimate for both repairs and a new furnace be submitted to the Township for consideration..

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:** Two citizens expressed concerns about the Township's Zoning Enforcement Officer's visit in regards to violations of the Michigan Property Maintenance code.

A motion to adjourn was made by Treasurer Wise and seconded by Trustee Thole. Voice vote, passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Mulder-Paul