

Minutes Constantine Township Board Meeting February 8, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hutson at 7:30 PM.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Hutson, Schmidtendorff, Brown, Paananen and Freude.

Motion carried. Moved by Fruede and supported by Schmitendorff to approve the minutes of the January meeting.

Zoning Administrator Kuhlman stated he closed two cases and reviewed other findings.

Residents of Nerrman Road came to show the Board pictures of the damage caused to the road by heavy equipment used to demolish a house for the proposed US 131 bypass. M-DOT states they have no responsibility for this damage. The contract company, Bierlein , states they will take no responsibility either. The Township will contact Representative Matt Lori and Senator Bruce Caswell regarding the issue to see if they can be of any assistance.

MCM representative indicated the Township insurance renewal could be 15% lower than the last renewal rate. He should have some more numbers in two weeks.

Motion carried. Moved by Paananen and supported by Freude to increase line item 727.3 by \$500.00 to \$7,000.00.

Motion carried. Moved by Brown and supported by Schmidtendorff to pay bills.

Schmidtendorff stated that the Fire Board met two weeks ago for a general meeting. He has no new news on US 131.

Hutson reported the next SAAC meeting is next Thursday. The new County Road Commission Manager spoke at the Supervisors meeting. Hutson has received correspondence from DeKalb and the issue should be resolved in 30 to 60 days.

The Board reviewed the budget for FY 2011-2012 and will vote to adopt at the March meeting. Hutson is still open to receive names for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion carried. Moved by Schmidtendorff and supported by Paananen to contract with St. Joseph County Conservation District to support the St. Joseph River cleanup endeavor by sending \$500.00.

Motion carried. Moved by Paananen and supported by Fruede to adjourn. Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Marti Brown Clerk