

Minutes Constantine Township Board March 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, Freude.

Motion carried. Moved by Freude and supported by Paananen to approve minutes.

Hutson reviewed Ordinance Officer Kuhlman's report in his absence.

Jim Hnilo of the Ted Hartleb Insurance Company reviewed what his company is able to offer the Township for insurance coverage. The Township will consider this company for coverage if any insurance changes are proposed.

Senator Bruce Caswell spoke to the Board regarding the Governor's budget for the State of Michigan.

Motion carried. Moved by Brown and supported by Schmidtendorff to increase line items 702.1 Supervisor, by \$250.00; 702.2 Trustees, by \$50.00; 702.5 Clerk by \$200.00; 702.8 Treasurer by \$200.00; 826 Legal by \$1,500.00.

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

No correspondence to share. Brown spoke with Jane Moe, Librarian. The Library would like to keep the long tables the Township is willing to give away. They will need to store them somewhere. Fire Chief Haydon indicated that the Fire station has room to store the tables. Jane also indicated that the Library would like three of the tan chairs for the new computer stations that will be set up soon. Brown indicated that these chairs are good for elections and would like to be able to "borrow" these chairs for major elections. Brown will write a note to Jane Moe to indicate that the Board is in favor of giving the tables to the Library with storage at the Fire Station. The chairs can be used by the Library with "borrowing" rights at the discretion of the Clerk.

Schmidtendorff stated the Fireman's Oyster dinner was enjoyed by all that attended, but had a lower attendance. Schmidtendorff is looking for the Bank that will provide the best interest for this year's Fire Equipment deposit.

Hutson reviewed the SAAC report. The DeKalb/Monsanto appeal has come to an agreement. Hutson will make calls to Board members regarding choosing an insurance agency. Hutson reviewed the chronology of events for reporting to the Bierlein Company and the State regarding the damage to Nerrman Road. Hutson stated Attorney Seeber sent a flood plain ordinance draft and stated that a resolution is needed as well and the resolution will be drafted at a later date.

Motion carried. Moved by Paananen and supported by Schmidtendorff to approve the 2011-2012 budget. Roll call vote: Paananen, yes; Freude, yes; Schmidtendorff, yes; Brown, yes; Hutson, yes.

Motion carried. Moved by Freude and supported by Paananen to approve appointments and designations.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Marti Brown

Clerk