

Rome Township Board Meeting February 11, 2004

Members Present: Al Boggs, Harvey Warrick, Amy DeLine, Rick VanAkin, and Renee Previch.

Others Present: David Abraham and several township residents.

Supervisor Boggs called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

1. After a discussion about no report from Zoning Administrator for past two months, Mr. Boggs indicated he would call him.
2. Two resolutions for the Board of Review.
3. Planning Commission appointments.

A motion to approve the agenda with additions was made by H. Warrick and seconded by A. DeLine, motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public comment opened at 8:08 p.m. with no comments. Closed at 8:08 p.m.

Meeting minutes for 1-14-04 and special meeting minutes for 1-21-04 and 2-5-04 were declared approved by Supervisor Boggs.

Supervisor Boggs opened the floor to David Abraham to give a brief overview on why he is running for State Representative.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by H. Warrick and seconded by R. VanAkin, motion carried 5-0.

CLERK'S REPORT:

1. Installed PC Anywhere on township computer, allowing the township to have access to the Michigan Qualified Voter file. Also installed TC3 net and Norton Anti-Virus.
2. Purchased tape recorder for township meetings.
3. Received bid from Randy Parkhurst for mowing.
4. Received unsigned complaint letter. Will copy for Board Members.
5. Asked board to consider compensating Treasurer for helping with MQV set-up.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT:

Board of Review dates were set as follows:

DATE	DAY	TIME	REASON
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March 2, 2004	Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Organizational Meeting
March 8, 2004	Monday	9 a.m.-Noon & 1 p.m.- 4 p.m.	Protest Day
March 9, 2004	Tuesday	1 p.m.- 4 p.m. & 5 p.m.- 8 p.m.	Protest Day
March 10, 2004	Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Work Session Day

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

1. Attended MTA Conference in Lansing.
2. Board of Review members will be attending MTA Seminar 2-26-04.
3. Planning to pave Gilbert Highway this year if we get a workable agreement with Lenawee County Road Commission.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Amy DeLine moved to ratify approval and readopt amendments to the Rome Township Ordinance originally moved for adoption on 1-14-04, seconded by A. Boggs. Roll call vote: A. Boggs - yes, H. Warrick - yes, A. DeLine -yes, R. VanAkin - yes, R. Previch - yes. Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Absent - 0.
2. Special meeting was scheduled for Thursday, 2-26-04 at 6:00 p.m. to consider General Appropriations Act and to work on 2004-05 Budget.
3. Received another bid on the old furniture. Clerk will get all bids in writing. Harvey Warrick agreed to work on some quotes for new furniture.
4. Supervisor Boggs will check with Richard Moran, Zoning Administrator, about monthly reports.
5. Following a discussion about a Fixed Asset Policy, H. Warrick moved to adopt a resolution for a formal Fixed Asset Policy as prepared by township attorney, Michael Sauter, seconded by R. VanAkin. Roll call vote: A. Boggs - yes, H. Warrick - yes, A. DeLine - yes, R. VanAkin - yes, R. Previch - yes. Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Absent - 0.
6. Filing deadlines for this year's election presented. Voter turnout for 2000 election - 719, and voter turnout for 2002 - 524. Discussed some options for parking, such as renting vacant land across Onsted Highway. Need to know how much land to rent and insurance liability before checking with owner. Rick will check with Road Commission to see if parking along Stoddard Highway on Election Day would be acceptable.
7. Budget work meeting set for Thursday, 2-26-04 at 6:00 p.m.
8. Board of Review resolutions. Harvey Warrick moved to adopt a resolution to allow residents to protest tax assessments by mail, seconded by R. VanAkin. Roll call vote: A. Boggs - yes, H. Warrick - yes, A. DeLine - yes, R. VanAkin - yes, R. Previch - yes. Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Absent 0.

Amy DeLine moved to adopt a resolution to set Board of Review days as follows:

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Renee Previch seconded motion to adopt resolution. Roll call vote: A. Boggs - yes, H. Warrick - yes, R. VanAkin - yes, A. DeLine - yes, R. Previch - yes. Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Absent - 0.

9. Planning Commission appointments. Harvey Warrick moved to reappoint Jeff Elwell and Scott Fisher to the Planning Commission, seconded by R. VanAkin. Carried 5-0.

10. Need to renew Cemetery Contracts for new fiscal year.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

A motion made to pay the bills in the amount of \$4,096.97 by R. VanAkin was seconded by R. Previch, carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment opened at 9:26 p.m. and closed at 9:29 p.m.

A motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. was made by R. VanAkin and seconded by H. Warrick. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy DeLine

Minutes approval date: _____

Alfred Boggs, Supervisor

Amy DeLine, Clerk