

ROME TOWNSHIP BOARD
Meeting Minutes
February 9, 2005

Members Present: Al Boggs, Harvey Warrick, Rick Van Akin, Renee Previch, and Dana Harrison.

Others Present: Mr. Schultz - assessor, Mr. Branch - county commissioner, Mr. Yeider - zoning administrator, Mr. Griffith - planning commission, Ann Lauderdale - planning commission, Chuck Schultz - planning commission, Amy DeLine - zoning board of appeals alternate, and other members of the community.

Al Boggs called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

1. Mr. Jack Branch, County Commissioner - update
2. Zoning Ordinances
3. Resolution to Allow Residents to Appeal Tax Assessment by Letter

A motion to approve the agenda with additions was made by R. Van Akin and seconded by D. Harrison. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment began at 8:03 and ended at 8:03.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 19, 2005 MINUTES:

No changes or additions were suggested; A. Boggs declared the minutes from the January 19, 2005 meeting approved as written.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Mr. Yeider reported he made two calls in January.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

R. Previch presented the Treasurer's Report 1/1/2005 through 1/31/2005. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by R. Van Akin, seconded by D. Harrison, motion carried 5-0.

CLERK'S REPORT:

1. Received Bond Removal Insurance from American Title. Have not received word regarding vegetation for screening purposes. Will request Mr. Sauter send a letter as follow-up to see what plans are in spring.
2. Attended MTA Conference January 25th through 28th. Went to several workshops and learned valuable information.
3. 2005 Clerks Professional Development Retreat coming up March 31st - April 1st.
4. 1099's and W2's have been mailed. Please let me know if you didn't receive one and should have.

ASSESSORS REPORT:

Attended the Board of Review Training in Ann Arbor, also attended the County education session. Waiting on Roll to come back.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

1. Attended MTA Conference in Detroit. Participated in six seminars as well as attending MTA Supervisor meeting.
2. County MTA meeting, February 21, 2005, 7:30 p.m., Raisin Township, Gady Community Center.
3. March 2, 2005, MTA Capitol Conference, one topic of discussion state wide code regarding septic systems.
4. March 15th attending seminar in Lansing, Township Government Academy.
5. April 11th - 12th Supervisor Retreat, August, Michigan.
6. ParPlan will be conducting free appraisal.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Invoices Received:

U S Postmaster - Stamps Treasurer	\$ 111.00		
M T A Clerk	\$ 562.44		
M T A Supervisor	\$ 562.44		
Ralph Richardson	\$ 291.25		
staples 75.39 clerk; 279.95 Quick Book P	\$ 425.31	69.75 supervisor	
A l Reimbursement 2005 Board of Review T	\$ 275.00		
T D S Telecom	\$ 48.27		
M r. Yeider December	\$ 143.50		
Len Co Printing & Purchasing - personal property	\$ 17.02		
A l reimbursement M T A registration/parking	\$ 295.00		
Daily Telegram	\$ 65.00		
frontier communication	\$ 32.60		
Brian Bovee	\$ 175.55		
M r. Sauter	\$ 397.50		
Dana Harrison-M T A Reimbursement	\$ 307.35		
Jessica Harrison - cleaning	\$ 20.00		
Total	\$ 3,729.23		

A motion to approve accounts payable was made by R. Van Akin, seconded by R. Previceh, motion carried 5-0.

COUNTY COMMISSION UPDATE:

Prisoners have been moved into the new jail. Most were moved with the first three days. There have been a few plumbing problems but these are being corrected. Final payment for construction company in the amount of \$26,400, a one-year warranty provided. Human Services building remodeling project estimated at \$212,000.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Zoning Board of Appeals Appointment - Noted that term for Mr. Griffith should coincide with Planning Commission term, therefore term not up until February 2006. Motion made by A. Boggs to move ZBA appointment terms to expire in February (instead of May), motion seconded by D. Harrison; motion carried 5-0. Therefore, Position #1 should be reappointed (C. Sweet). A. Boggs motioned that Christine Wheaton be appointed to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals,

appointment to run until February 2007, H. Warrick seconded; motion carried 5-0. Also, since appointments moved to February, Position #3, H. Warrick, up for reappointment. A. Boggs motioned H. Warrick be appointed to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals, appointment to run until February 2008, R. Van Akin seconded; motion carried 5-0.

2. Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate Appointment - A. Boggs made a motion that Amy DeLine be appointed Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate (R. Yeider), term to run February 2008, D. Harrison seconded; motion carried 5-0.

3. Planning Commission Appointments - A. Boggs motioned Chuck Schultz, Rick Van Akin, and Kevin Fisher be reappointed, terms to expire February 2008; H. Warrick seconded, motion carried 5-0.

4. River Raisin Dues Renewal- A. Boggs motioned that the dues be renewed in the amount of \$354.40, R. Van Akin seconded; motion carried 5-0.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

1. Resolution to Allow Residents to Appeal Tax Assessment by Letter - H. Warrick motioned that residents be allowed to appeal their tax assessment by letter, R. Van Akin seconded. R. Van Akin - yes, R. Previch - yes, H. Warrick - yes, A. Boggs - yes, D. Harrison - yes. Ayes - 5, Nays - 0, Absent - 0.

2. Zoning Ordinances - This item tabled until Board is able to speak with Mr. Sauter regarding contract zoning.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment opened at 9:20 p.m. and closed at 9:20 p.m.

D. Harrison motioned that the meeting be adjourned, R. Van Akin seconded, motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Harrison

Minutes approval date: _____

Alfred Boggs, Supervisor

Dana Harrison, Clerk