

ROME TOWNSHIP BOARD

Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2006

Members Present: Al Boggs, Renee Preovich, Rick VanAkin, and Dana Harrison.

Others Present: Mr. Yeider, Mr. Schultz, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Branch, and other members of the community.

A. Boggs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment began at 7:02 and ended at 7:02.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

1. Budget

A motion to approve the agenda with additions was made by R. VanAkin and seconded by R. Preovich; motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

No corrections or changes were suggested; therefore, minutes from the January 11, 2006 Board and Workshop meetings stood approved as presented.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Mr. Yeider made five calls. These pertained to new houses, junk car complaint, and special use permit. He noted that the Fire Department is available (donations accepted) to burn houses to gain experience and suggested owners of abandoned homes follow-up with them.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

R. Preovich presented the Treasurer's Report January 1, 2006 through January 31, 2006. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by R. VanAkin, seconded by D. Harrison; motion carried 4-0.

CLERK'S REPORT:

1. Lenawee Chamber for Economic Development holding Open House, must RSVP by February 13, 2006.
2. Received information regarding 2010 census if anyone interested.
3. Lenawee County 2006 Older Adult Resource Guide posted at back of hall.
4. Public Hearing Special Use Permit February 28, 2006, 7:00 p.m. Township Hall. Don and Renee Bayes.

ASSESSORS REPORT:

Tax roll has been turned in, assessment changes have been noted. All Board of Review

members will be attending training on February 17th. It was noted there are quite a few changes for 2006. Board of Review coming up in March. March 7th organizational meeting, March 13th and 14th protest days, working session March 14th (if needed). Times to be posted.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

1. Website activated, Supervisor page almost finished, Clerk page being finalized.
2. Exploring process of bringing high speed Internet to Rome Township.
3. Attended at least eight different seminars at the MTA Annual Conference in Grand Rapids.
4. Michigan Association of Planning seminars coming up in April in E. Lansing.
5. Attending township governance courses in Battle Creek in April.
6. Attending MTA Capitol Conference in Lansing April 26th.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Invoices Received:

Lenawee County Purchasing and Printing 132 pieces - postage assessor	\$48.84
Rome Township Taxes 1038.53 & 150.12	\$1,188.65
Dana Harrison reimbursement postage	\$44.55
Mr. Richardson 7 inspections 71 miles	\$251.98
Mr. Fritz Kruse cleaning 40 supplies 29.63	\$69.63
Frontier Communications	\$32.90
Consumers Energy	\$23.17
TDS - Clerk phone	\$49.71
Daily Telegram (bids now being accepted)	\$28.50
Mr. Schaedler fees January	\$357.00
Mr Yeider 3 calls 22 miles	\$168.36
Mr. Bovee 8 inspections 92 miles	\$234.96
Mr. William Kea	\$1,000.00
TOTAL	\$3,498.25

A motion to approve accounts payable was made by R. Previch, seconded by R. VanAkin; motion carried 4-0.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER UPDATE:

Mr. Branch reported: jail had 367 admits in January, it's movement/settling slowing down. Remodeling on 911 Center moving forward. Fire Department received \$145,000 for hand held accountability system through homeland security.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Mr. Hunt - Township Cemetery Update: Discussion held regarding advertising of gravesites. Costs of plots range from \$165 to \$225. Suggested information be put on website. Mr. Hunt requested contract be increased to \$1,500 for Union Burial Association for 2006-2007.
2. Planning Commission Member Appointments: Tabled until March.

Alfred Boggs, Supervisor

Dana Harrison, Clerk