

**GANGES TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES OF AUGUST 13, 2024**

Supervisor Hebert called the meeting to order at 7:00pm at the Ganges Township Hall located at the corner of 119th Ave and 64th St. Board members present by roll call attendance: Hutchins, Reimink, Hebert, Phelps, Mohr.

Mohr moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the agenda dated 8/13/24 as presented with the addition of 11A. Cranes and Fenn Valley Outdoor Entertainment Event Applications, 11B. Loomis Survey, 11C. Deputy/Security Cranes Event Request. Motion carried.

Correspondence-Email from Jackie DeZwaan listing concerns about her neighbor renting out his barn.

Public Comments- None

Reimink moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the regular meeting minutes of 7/9/24 with a correction. Motion carried.

Reimink reported the balances as of 7/31/24 as follows:

General Fund	\$617,706.77
Ambulance Fund	\$35,827.47
Fire Fund	\$385,480.18
First Responders	\$115,786.06
Road Fund	\$274,652.28
Road CD	\$381,057.91
CD	\$514,622.07

Hebert moved, Mohr seconded, to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Hebert seconded, to approve payment of the bills dated 08/13/2024 as presented from the following funds: General Fund-\$39,328.16; Fire Fund-\$6,393.74; First Responder Fund-\$1,353.71; Road Fund- \$9,000.00. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Fire Dept-Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to approve the purchase of a Culligan Water Treatment at Station 1 for \$2,653.12. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Mohr seconded, to approve the quote from Breathing Air Systems for a new compressor and fill station for the SCBAs for \$46,254.29. Motion carried.

Cemetery Sexton-Nothing to report

Dick Hutchins, Trustee, reported that the Planning Commission, continues to work on the new Zoning Ordinance.

APPROVED

Unfinished Business

After a rebid on Pier Cove Park Development, it has been decided to do a third rebid and work may be pushed to Spring depending on the bids received. The DNR requires a minimum of 3 bids for the grant that we received.

New Business

Hutchins moved, Reimink seconded, to approve the Outdoor Entertainment applications from Cranes and Fenn Valley. Motion carried.

Reimink moved, Mohr seconded, to approve the Loomis Cemetery Survey proposal from Mitchell & Morse for \$1200. Motion carried.

Hebert moved, Hutchins seconded, to pass the request for security at an event being held at Cranes sponsored by The First Hebrew Congregation of South Haven, on to Sergeant Hass from the Allegan County Sheriff's Dept. with no township funding. Motion carried.

Public Comments- David Nash, 2308 Lakeshore Dr, thanked the township for putting the property sign back up at Pier Cove and suggested we put a sign in Spanish and English exactly where the property line is today.

Allison, representing Joey Andrews office gave an update on the budget.

Elizabeth Peterson, candidate for 48th Circuit Court Judge, introduced herself.

Don Doggendorf, 6780 116th Avenue, asked if there would be a public hearing for the Zoning Ordinance updates.

Kevin Perkins, 1741 65th St, expressed that he and several other residents on 65th St do not want their road paved. He feels there are many other roads that would be more important.

Hebert moved, Reimink seconded the adjournment of the meeting at 7:30pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Phelps, Ganges Twp Clerk