

Allegan Township Board Meeting
April 4, 2011
7:30 PM

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Pledge & Invocation

- II. Roll Call
 - A. Present were Supervisor Steve Schulz, Clerk Linda Evans and Trustee Holly Hough.
 - B. Absent were Treasurer Jane Waanders and Trustee Karl Spreitzer.

- III. Approve Minutes of March 7, 2011 Meeting
 - A. Hough/Schulz made motion to approve which passed following aye vote.

- IV. Reports
 - A. Frank Tooker, Building Inspector
 - 1. Clerk Evans reported two permits were issued in March for total fees of \$162.00 with no new homes.
 - B. Ted Heckman, Board of Appeals Chair
 - 1. Board meets a week from tonight with no business planned.
 - C. Terry Skoglund, Planning Commission Chair
 - 1. Board's last regular meeting approved two special use permits with one being for producing and selling soap made from goat's milk and another for daycare.
 - D. Max Thiele, County Commissioner - 6th District
 - 1. Was not present.
 - E. Bill Sage, County Commissioner - 9th District
 - 1. Was not present.
 - F. Other Reports

- V. Open to the Audience

- VI. Old Business
 - A. Marihuana Moratorium
 - 1. Schulz noted it was suggested by Township's Planning Commission for

Township Board to seek a six month moratorium to have time to put together an ordinance to figure out what zoning to put marihuana sales in.

2. Skoglund commented there was a case pending before the Supreme Court and feels it is important for Township to make some legal decision.
3. Allegan City meeting will be held on April 18 regarding same issue and it is thought we could look at what they have done.
4. Evans/Hough made motion to approve a six month moratorium on marihuana issue and have Planning Commission work on it which was approved with an aye vote.
5. Schulz mentioned that once it is in place it very well could be amended and at the present time would have to be in Commercial or considered a home occupation with Clerk Evans asking if it would be necessary to get a special use permit then if a home occupation.

(1) Schulz responded that , yes, a special use permit would be needed and if it is just one person as a caregiver for five people then it wouldn't be cost effective to put up a building in Commercial with Skoglund adding then it would become a dispensary where several could go together.

B. Approve 2011-12 Budget

1. Skoglund asked if this budget were the same as last month's with Evans noting only changes are in Fund Balance and Contingency Fund with Schulz adding it is from the last tax collection as well as an additional \$50,000 from Contingency transferred to Road Fund.
2. Hough/Schulz made motion to approve 2011-12 Budget which passed following roll call.

C. Bike Trail

1. A bike trail for Allegan Township has been talked about for some time and Board moved to approve applying for grant money from DNR to assist.
2. Since then Prein and Newhof didn't think we could get any money and Scott Post, from their company, was to have come and talked about CMAQ money to widen out shoulders, involving Allegan County's Road Commission as well, but re-scheduled for May's meeting as entire Board was not present tonight.
3. Audience member Jim Billman asked if we did get an estimate for cost with Schulz responding we did but some roads will be redone in the next year or two and it makes more sense to do shoulders when redoing entire

road making it more cost efficient.

- a. Schulz also added that if we do 122nd Avenue, since it is breaking up, from 28th to 30th Streets, we would make the road wider along there.

VII. New Business

A. Appoint Precinct Workers

1. Schulz deferred to Evans who explained the Supervisor, Treasurer and Clerk appoint election workers and noted Connie Rushmore, Donna Zeigler and herself plan to work the May 3, 2011 election.

- a. Schulz/Evans made motion to approve above-mentioned and it passed with an aye vote.

2. Schulz asked what would be on the ballot and learned three people are running for two spots on the school board; the annual 18 mill non-homestead request; two candidates for District Library as well as a replacement to fill a spot on the District Library as one member passed away.

B. Blacktop Repair

1. Schulz received a quote from Tustin's for crack repairs in township parking lot, noting we normally have the parking lot re-sealed every two years but it appears they only saw cracks this time with Hough/Schulz making motion to approve which passed with an aye vote.

VIII. Pay Bills

A. General Fund

1. \$7,044.24 in bills were presented for payment with Evans/Hough making motion to approve which passed following roll call.

B. Road Fund

1. Estimate #2 for 120th Avenue in amount of \$58,155.00 was presented with Evans/Schulz making motion to approve which passed following roll call.

IX. Correspondence

- A. Evans made comment about receiving 2010 census count, deferring to Schulz who reminded those present that there was a final contested amount of 4,185 residents in 2000 and the new amount is approximately 4,485 which will realize a little extra revenue with Evans commenting revenue is retroactive to October 2010.

X. Adjourn

A. Hough/Evans made motion to adjourn with meeting closing at 7:55 PM.