

February 12, 2013
Greenwood Township – Regular Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Greenwood Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Terry Gill at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenwood Township Hall, 9025 Yale Road. Other board members present were Clerk O'Brien, Treasurer Ramsey, and Trustees Jonseck and Stewart along with 12 residents. The minutes from the regular meeting on January 8, 2013 were approved as presented.

The treasurer's report was read by Ramsey and approved.

Ramsey made a request that the board approve a refund to Wells Fargo for an overpayment of taxes. Treasurer discussed this with the auditor who recommended the check be accepted because the escrow check also included payments from other residents for taxes. Gill made a motion to refund the overpayment to Wells Fargo. Jonseck seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Ramsey requested that the original policy of not accepting overpayments over \$15.00 be rescinded. This was advised by the auditor Curtis McBride considering the township's policies of checks and balances have been changed in recent years so that the supervisor, clerk and treasurer balance to each other on a regular basis. Gill made a motion to rescind the overpayment policy. Stewart seconding. Motion carried 5-0. Roll Call: Yes – Stewart, Ramsey, Gill, Jonseck, O'Brien.

Stewart made a motion to approve the monthly bills as presented. O'Brien seconding. Motion carried 5-0.

Ken Cummings, Director of Tri County EMS, was present to answer questions from residents regarding medical response in the township. Ken Cummings discussed the procedure for licensing and certification of the medical first responders. He also discussed the procedures for Tri County EMS, response times and the importance of Medical First Responders. Medical First Responders are regulated with the State of Michigan and must meet licensing requirements. Communities that have multiple fire departments serving their community rely on Central Dispatch to dispatch the proper personnel and equipment to emergencies. A resident asked Ken Cummings the response time of Tri County EMS to Greenwood Township. Ken responded that the target is 12 minutes or less 90% of the time.

In citizen comments a resident asked that the board make a decision on the fire contract that will provide the best possible medical and fire protection for the residents. Stewart responded that this was the goal of the negotiations. A resident asked when the new contract was due to expire. Gill responded that the current contract expires March 31, 2013. There is a possibility of a special meeting to be called to discuss this issue in which case it would be posted on the website and on the sign at the Township.

In new business Gill made a motion for the board to attend the St. Clair County Chapter of MTA dinner meeting on February 15, 2013. O'Brien seconding. Motion carried 5-0.

Stewart made a motion to adjourn. Ramsey seconding. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned 8:32 p.m.

Sonya O'Brien
Greenwood Township Clerk