RAISINVILLE TOWNSHIP MARCH 1ST, 2016

PRESENT: SUPERVISOR BLANCHETTE, CLERK FETTERLY, TREASURER MEYER, TRUSTEE HENDERSON, TRUSTEE WOELMER

The Raisinville Township Board meeting was opened with the Pledge to the American Flag.

MINUTES: MOTION by Trustee Henderson, Supported by Treasurer Meyer to approve the minutes of the February 2nd, 2016 board meeting. Motion Carried

TREASURER REPORT: MOTION by Trustee Henderson, Supported by Clerk Fetterly to approve the treasurer report. Motion Carried.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT: There were 16 permits issued for the month of February. There were 3 building permits, 5 electrical, 8 mechanical and 0 plumbing for a total fee of \$2,218.00.

BILLS: **MOTION** by Treasurer Meyer, **Supported** by Trustee Woelmer to approve the bills for this month. **Motion Carried**.

OLD BUSINESS: Supervisor Blanchette presented to the board 2 options for updating our Township sign. Option #1: new polycarbonate panels, new tracking and a 250 piece letter set. Option #2: new polycarbonate panels covered in a white reflective vinyl, new tracking, and a 250 letter set. MOTION by Trustee Henderson, Supported by Trustee Woelmer to approve the purchase of Option #2 for \$1,130.00 to update our Township Sign. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS: After review and discussion of Mannik & Smith Group (Township Planner and Engineer) review and recommendation for Miller Business Development regarding Building A and C:

MOTION by Trustee Woelmer, **Supported** by Trustee Henderson to grant special use approval for Building A; Parcel# 5813-128-107-10, Miller Business Development.

Motion Carried

MOTION by Trustee Woelmer, **Supported** by Trustee Henderson to grant preliminary and final site plan approval for Building A; Parcel # 5813-128-107-10, Miller Business Development. **Motion Carried**

MOTION by Trustee Woelmer, **Supported** by Trustee Henderson to grant special use approval for Building C; Parcel # 5813-128-107-10, Miller Business Development. **Motion Carried**

MOTION by Trustee Woelmer, **Supported** by Trustee Henderson to grant preliminary and final site plan approval for Building C; Parcel # 5813-128-107-10, Miller Business Development. **Motion Carried**

MOTION by Trustee Woelmer, **Supported** by Treasurer Meyer to appoint Rick Milner as an alternate to the Board of Review. **Motion Carried**

Supervisor Blanchette reported on the Township Audit. Our auditor had a problem getting it completed on time, but everything was resolved with the State of Michigan. It was a good clean, high rated audit. The State Department of Treasury had two concerns that we needed to address. The first one was Actual Expenditures exceeded the amounts authorized in the budget. The reason is that a bill from the Monroe County Road Commission and Fire Department was submitted in July 2015 (after the end of our budget year). The auditor put these amounts in Account Payable for 2014/2015 Budget year, therefore causing the over expenditure. The second concern was that there were reported deficiencies included with the audit report. This is a Special Assessment deficit (for lights) that will be eliminated by future revenues in two to three years as the money is comes in. The Township responded to the letter we received from the State within the 30 day period, stating our corrective action plan.

MOTION by Treasure Meyer, Supported by Trustee Henderson to accept the Audit as presented. Motion Carried.

Each year the Township has to adopt a resolution for the Poverty Exemption Guidelines. **MOTION** by Trustee Henderson, **Supported** by Clerk Fetterly to approve the resolution for the 2016 Poverty Exemption Guidelines as submitted. **ROLL CALL VOTE** Supervisor Blanchette- Yes, Treasure Meyer- Yes, Trustee Henderson- Yes, Trustee Woelmer- Yes, Clerk Fetterly- Yes. **Motion Carried**.

Supervisor Blanchette presented and explained contracts received from the Monroe County Road Commission for the 2016 year.

Mowing this year will be fence to fence on the second cutting for the whole township, cost not to exceed \$19,400.00. Excess gradall- our share will be \$9,750.00. Primary roads will be Ida-Maybee Road, Rath Farm to M-50: our portion will be \$56,018.00. We will be cost sharing S. Raisinville Road with the Monroe County Road Commission and Monroe Charter Township. The Monroe County Road Commission is receiving Federal Grant money so there will be no cost to the Township. For Stone and Chip Seal on Stewart Road our projected cost is \$24,974.00, Albain Road Chip Seal- \$8,985.00 (also to be shared with LaSalle Township). To finish Albain Road our projected cost is \$62,296.00. For Dust Control- our portion should be \$10,500.

MOTION by Trustee Henderson, **Supported** by Trustee Woelmer to approve the contracts with the Monroe County Road Commission. **Motion Carried.**

BLIGHT: Building Inspector Charles LaPointe received one blight complaint regarding an old recliner in the front yard on Ida-East Road. A letter was sent to the owner.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Trustee Woelmer reported on the last meeting held on February 22, 2016. The Commission had the 2016 Election of Officers, all officers were re-appointed, Chairman; John Delmotte, Vice-Chair; Mike Jaworski, Secretary; Ann Nickel-Swinkey. They approved the annual report. Miller Business Development was on the agenda for Building A and C, and they made recommendations to the Township board for approval. Trustee Woelmer also stated that the greenbelt for the Miller Business Development should be finished by June 1st, 2016. They also discussed the zoning text for the updated zoning book and the future master plan with the Planner. The next meeting is March 21, 2016.

LMR- Trustee Henderson stated that the next meeting is scheduled for March 21st, 2016 7:00 pm.

CITIZEN COMMENT TIME: John Delmotte discussed with the board the budget for the Planning Commission, and that everyone is aware of the procedures concerning the approvals for projects. John also had concerns about the maintenance of the roads. It was explained to him that the Monroe County Road Commission is responsible for the maintenance of the roads. He can either contact them directly with issues, or contact us and we can submit a request form.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Trustee Henderson, Supported by Treasure Meyer to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Brenda Fetterly RaisinvilleTownship Clerk