

Regular Meeting  
Eagle Township Board  
July 2, 2001

**1. Call to Order** - The regular meeting of the Eagle Township Board was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Supervisor Morris at the Eagle Township Hall, 14318 Michigan Street, Eagle, MI.

Members present were: Supervisor David Morris, Clerk Wendy Simmons, Treasurer Patti Schafer, Trustees Stephen Colby and Patricia Hazen, Deputy Clerk Jane Korroch. Also present were: County Commissioner Scott Hummel, Casey Race of Community Newspapers and approximately eight township residents.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance** - Supervisor Morris offered the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Public Comment** – Mr. Scott Hummel, republican candidate for the 86<sup>th</sup> district state representative seat, mentioned the special election July 10, 2001.

Fire Service - Supervisor Morris made some general comments regarding the situation regarding future fire service for the Township.

Mr. Steve Fabiano mentioned that he is concerned with response time. Mr. Fabiano believes that Delta can make it in 8 or 9 minutes and stated that Grand Ledge's average response time is 6 minutes. Portland is a fine fire department, however, they are only volunteer, which significantly increases response time. He also was interested in what Delta will charge for the service? The Board indicated that the costs for these options are still being worked out and that no final decisions have been made at this time.

Mr. Jim Kus stated that the NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) has modeling standards regarding the depth of response for each community and modeling standards for fire equipment, and that he believes it would be wise for the Board to check into these standards. Mr. Kus also indicated that he felt response time is important.

Supervisor Morris summarized where the Board is in the process of choosing future fire service.

Grange/McCrumb Road Manufactured Home Community – Many residents on McCrumb road received a notice regarding a public hearing about the proposed manufactured housing community on Grange/McCrumb road. The Board has not seen this information. A copy of the public notice and draft permit may be obtained at [www.deq.state.mi.us/swq/permits/publicnotice/publicnotice.htm](http://www.deq.state.mi.us/swq/permits/publicnotice/publicnotice.htm). There was much additional discussion regarding the development and many frustrations were expressed. Mrs. ~~Sara~~ Samantha Parks asked the Board to consider two questions when reviewing these documents; how is the township going to indemnify the residents, with out raising taxes, against problems that will go wrong with the drain system? And, how is any system going to support 152,000 gallons of gray water going into the Looking Glass River each day?

**4. Approval of Minutes** – Trustee Colby made a motion to accept the minutes from the regular meeting of June 4, 2001, and the special meeting of June 27, 2001, as printed. Treasurer Schafer supported the motion. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Motion carried.

**5. Treasurer's Report** – Clerk Simmons made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as printed. Trustee Colby supported the motion. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Motion carried.

**6. Planning Commission Report** – Trustee Hazen distributed a rough copy of the resident survey results to the Board. She asked that each Board member review the report and forward any comments or concerns to either herself or Mark Therrian in the next two months.

**7. County Parks Commission** – Supervisor Morris commented that the County has done well with funds so far; however he cautioned Mr. Hummel that the county should proceed slowly in forming a parks commission. His concerns stem from the costs that would be associated with the commission.

**8. Letters to Board** - Clerk Simmons review the letters to the Board.

**9. Accounts Payable** – Trustee Hazen made a motion to pay the Township bills as listed, and all other regular bills that occur during the month. Trustee Colby supported the motion. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Motion carried.

**10. Federal Surplus Card** – Treasurer Schafer would still like the Board to take a tour of the federal surplus 'store' before making a determination to allow the Park Board use of the card. The Board will go to tour the facility July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 pm.

**11. Grand Ledge Library Millage** – Clerk Simmons reported that Joan Kane, the President of the Grand Ledge District Library Board, notified her that the Board would be again proposing a library millage on the November 6<sup>th</sup> ballot. The requested millage will be 1.2 mills, for duration of 10 years. The Library Board would like to hold an informational meeting at the Eagle Township hall on October 2, 2001.

**12. American Eagle Fireworks** – Clerk Simmons will contact Mr. Stajos tomorrow and voice the Board's support of his endeavor. Further, Clerk Simmons will draft a letter to Chuck Sherman asking him to detail in writing his concerns with the American Eagle Fireworks, Inc. business.

**13. Hiesrodt Zoning Variance** – Supervisor Morris made the motion to instruct Clerk Simmons to write a letter of support for this variance. Clerk Simmons supported the motion. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Motion carried.

**14. Kenny Zoning Variance** – Supervisor Morris made the motion to instruct Clerk Simmons to write a letter of support for this variance. Clerk Simmons supported the motion. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Motion carried.

**15. Ockert Zoning Variance** – Supervisor Morris made the motion to instruct Clerk Simmons to write a letter of support for this variance. Clerk Simmons supported the motion. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Motion carried.

**16. Patino Zoning Variance** – The Board took no action on this request until receiving the final plan.

**17. Niles Cemetery Board** – Clerk Simmons made a motion to reappoint Trustee Colby to the Niles Cemetery Board. Treasurer Schafer supported the motion. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Motion carried.

**18. Grand Ledge Fire** – Treasurer Schafer made a motion to have Clerk Simmons write a letter to the City of Grand Ledge, requesting amounts per run for fire coverage after December 31, 2001. Trustee Hazen supported the motion. Ayes: 5; Nays: 0; Motion carried.

**19. Adjournment** - Supervisor Morris moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m. Clerk Simmons supported the motion. Aye: 5; Nay: 0; Motion carried.

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Approved

Wendy Simmons, Clerk  
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