

Milton Township
Annual Meeting
March 27, 2006

Present: Bargy, Fox, Pharo, Atkinson; also present Attorneys Derman and Turkelson and 19 audience members

Absent: Cole

Bargy called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and the Pledge was recited.

Motion by Tom Streeter, seconded by Vi Patchen to approve the minutes as present.
Motion carried by majority vote.

Ambulance Report

As given by Chris Weinzapfel

303 Ambulance Runs. This is standard for the last few years

Zoning Administration Report

As given by Chris Weinzapfel

Permits down from last year. Only 71, down from 83 in 2004.

Land divisions, 11 approved splits with 20 additional lots

ZBA had 6 hearings, 4 denied and 1 grant, one review of Zoning Administrator decision.

Weinzapfel gave a review of current violations.

Fire Department

As Given by Sarasin

123 Runs for the year. Truck(s) bids are out right now. Due back by April 3, open on April 6. Present to board April 10. Standard operating procedure has been changed now after fatal car/fire truck incident in GT County. Fire trucks will follow all traffic laws, always.

Legal Report:

As given by Derman

Derman discussed municipal controlled right of ways, Erickson road encroachment, Garrow settlement, GTB update, Losse, Weathertop roads, Cottage Cove, Ancient Mariner, Chartier, recycling agreement.

Tom Streeter, of NW Torch Lake Drive asked regarding fire truck driving practices. Sarasin said the new procedure is going to follow all traffic laws. Stop at stop signs, and stay within the limits of all speed limits. Lights and sirens are a request for a right of way, not a requirement. This has always been the law and now the department will follow it more stringently.

Jerry Mensing of SW Torch Lake Drive asked if this rule applied to police. Sarasin said he didn't believe it was.

Grace Herta asked if same applied to ambulance. Sarasin said he is unsure.

Larry Smith of NW Torch Lake Drive discussed the ER District Library millage law. He suggested that the township board pursue pulling out of the District and this would lead to the disbanding of the district and then put the issue to a vote of the people and come up with a more reasonable millage rate. The issues was discussed by the public. Bargy and Derman suggested Smith start a petition.

Supervisor's Report: Permit to repair Winter's Road Access is coming through, as well as a grant. Paving will be SW Torch Lake Drive North of Hicken and all of Winters Road. Park building is nearly complete. Farmland Preservation, Tom Streeter asked regarding the Winter's Road Access.

Phil Sarasin asked if ball diamond next to Fire Dept could be disbanded. Yes. It will happen as a part of the agreement, hopefully this summer.

Supervisor's Report cont., gas well drilling. Two will be in Torch Lake Township and one will be on the Paradis property on Cairn Hwy.

Carol Perrin asked regarding gas well drilling and where you could get more information. Bargy said that if there is enough request, Jordan Development will come back out and answer question.

Paul Patchen asked regarding if you have to stay 1320 feet from water when you drill. Derman said there was no setback.

Salary Resolutions for 2006-2007

Resolution #2006-03: Salary for the Supervisor for 2006-2007: Be it resolved that as of April 1, 2006, the salary for the Supervisor shall be \$21,156. Be it further resolved that

this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the Annual Meeting to be held March 27, 2006 at 7p.m. at which time the electors may modify the amount.

Motion by Corky Smith, seconded by Paul Patchen to approve resolution #2006-03.
Motion carried by majority of electors.

Resolution #2006-04: Salary for the Clerk for 2006-2007: Be it resolved that as of April 1, 2006, the salary for the Clerk shall be \$19,040. Be it further resolved that this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the Annual Meeting to be held March 27, 2006 at 7 p.m. at which time the electors may modify the amount.

Motion Tom Streeter, second by Carol Perrin to approve resolution #2006-04. Motion carried by a majority of the electors.

Resolution #2006-05: Salary for the Treasurer for 2006-2007: Be it resolved that as of April 1, 2006, the salary for the Treasurer shall be \$25,281. Be it further resolved that this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the Annual Meeting to be held March 27, 2006 at 7p.m. at which time the electors may modify the amount.

Motion by Tom Watkins, second by Vi Patchen to approve resolution #2006-05. Motion carried by a majority of the electors.

Larry Smith discussed Meadowbrook millage increase. Bargy said he will ask the representative to come to the next township board meeting April 10.

Bargy discussed the road millage.

Toby Way of Bussa Road asked about a road committee. Bargy said that committee was disbanded.

Jerry Mensing asked regarding the new Antrim County Road Commission president. Burt Thompson is the new head of the ACRC.

Phil Sarasin asked who would be the new Fire Chief. Bargy said that will be discussed at the special following the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 tp call of the Chair.

These minutes subject to approval at Annual Meeting in 2007

Merris M. Fox, Clerk