

**MINUTES OF ARBELA TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**

**July 13, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Joe White at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present – Mary Warren, Joseph White, William Jacobi, Jody Hunt, Donald Dallas, Deputy Rogner, Tim Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. Wilcox, Jennifer and Brett Robb from Mosquito Control and four residents.

Absent - None

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** June 8, 2009

**MOTION:** By Jacobi to approve the minutes from the June 8, 2009 regular meeting.

**SECONDED:** By Dallas, all ayes, motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

<u>FUND</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISB.</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
General Fund	\$ 13,602.51	\$ 20,270.45	\$ 114,698.06
Fire Assessment Fund	31.74	0.00	104,120.07
Police Fund	102.63	9,707.36	333,513.26
Garbage Fund	66.08	12,334.62	212,757.74
Bldg. Insp. Fund	669.35	576.14	1,116.65
Neighborhood Watch	0.00	0.00	364.73
Hall Rental Deposits	125.00	500.00	2,860.00
Current Tax Fund	.01	164.18	1.00
Fire withholding	0.00	0.00	0.00

Joe had asked Jennifer Robb from Mosquito Control to come to the meeting and give us an update on the mosquitoes. She said Arbela, Tuscola, Vassar and Millington had 200% more rain this year so far than last year. She said they are spraying as many yards as fast as they can. They have had 3000 phone calls and 150 requests for yard treatment. It will be on a first call, first serve basis. She said they will not be spraying individual yards during the day as it is against the law. They will be sprayed at dusk. Joe said the residents in Arbela were very unhappy with the service this year. There were two residents present that expressed their dissatisfaction.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PARK BOARD:** None

**LIBRARY BOARD:**

Jody said the library has a teen reading program (7 signed up), a read to me program (30 signed up), and watermelon club (25 signed up) at the library. There is still yard work to be done by volunteers on the new site next door.

**FIRE BOARD REPORT:** None

**BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:**

Tim Anderson said there was 1 building, 1 electrical, 1 plumbing and 1 mechanical permit issued in June. The estimated valuation was \$7,200.00.

**WORK PROJECTS REPORT:**

Bill said everything has been running on an even keel. We had to buy new tires for the work trailer.

**POLICE REPORT:**

Deputy Rogner said we had 1 property crime, 0 assaults, 5 general non-criminal assistance, 4 traffic complaints, 3 accidents and 10 other complaints. Complaints handled by the township's two officers was 23, non-Arbela sheriff's patrol was 6 and state police 5. Chris and Justin put in 121 regular hours and 19.3 overtime hours.

**SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB**

Joe said the social club would like to hold a fundraiser spaghetti dinner October 8, 2009. Some people from Bill's church said they would pre cook the food and help with the dinner. The price would be \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

**MOTION:** By Hunt to allow the social club to hold a spaghetti dinner here at the hall on October 8, 2009.

**SECONDED:** By Jacobi, all ayes, motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Joe went over the zoning amendments for On Site Wind Energy Systems and Anemometers, Commercial Wind Energy Systems and Anemometer towers, Section 6.04.1 A-1 zoning district regulations and 6.04.2 RR-1 zoning district regulations.

**MOTION:** By Warren to concur with the planning commission's recommendation and amend the zoning ordinance to add On Site Wind Energy Systems and Anemometers, Commercial wind Energy Systems and Anemometer Towers, Section 6.04.1 A-1 zoning district regulations and 6.04.2 RR-1 zoning district regulations.

**SECONDED:** By Hunt. Roll call vote. Jacobi, yes; Dallas, yes; Hunt, yes; Warren, yes; White, yes.

**MOTION:** By Jacobi to destroy the roof bids from two years ago and the police car bids from **this year.**

**SECONDED:** By Hunt, all ayes, motion carried.

**MOTION:** By Warren to re-appoint Karen O’Hearn to the Zoning Board of Appeals for three years.

**SECONDED:** By Jacobi, all ayes, motion carried.

**MOTION:** By Warren to amend the Emergency Run Charges Ordinance No. 2009-2, Section 2 Cost Recovery Charges the letter B to remove the word fire. B now reads Vehicle requiring the jaws of life.

**SECONDED:** By Jacobi. Roll call vote. Dallas, yes; Hunt, yes; Warren, yes; Jacobi, yes; White, yes.

At the June meeting we tabled the following issue:

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilcox were present to ask for 2 graves in the Newton/Compau Cemetery. Mr. Wilcox said his father told him in 1973 that he had purchased an 8 grave lot and they could be buried there. There should have been two graves left in the lot, but the vaults are so much larger now there is no room in that lot. He is asking for 2 graves close to that lot.

Warren was satisfied with the paperwork Mr. Wilcox had. They did have a legitimate claim to two graves.

**MOTION:** By Warren to give two graves to Mr. & Mrs. Wilcox somewhere in the Newton/Compau Cemetery.

**SECONDED:** By Jacobi, all ayes, motion carried.

At the June meeting when we changed the bank accounts from a Sweeps Account to a traditional savings/checking account we didn’t specify to the bank that we needed the current tax fund monies in a separate savings/checking account.

**MOTION:** By Warren to amend the agenda under F to say open tax not garbage savings account.

**SECONDED:** By Hunt, all ayes, motion carried.

**MOTION:** By Warren to open a savings/checking account for the current tax fund monies and close the sweep for that account.

**SECONDED:** By Hunt, all ayes, motion carried.

Jody said there will be a blood drive at the hall on August 4 so everyone can come and donate blood.

**MOTION:** By Warren to pay the bills and payroll.

**SECONDED:** By Hunt, all ayes, motion carried.

**THE BILLS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**MOTION:** By Hunt to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

**SECONDED:** By Dallas, all ayes, motion carried.

Mary C. Warren, Township Clerk