

Supervisor Rick Speck called the regular meeting of the St. James Township Board to order at 7:30pm on August 4, 2010. Also present were Jim Wojan, Tim McDonough, Ray Cole, and Jean Wierenga.

Motion by McDonough and seconded by Cole to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2010 meeting as written. Motion carried.

Motion by Cole and seconded by McDonough to approve the minutes of the Special meeting to award bid for Indian Point Road Project held on July 15, 2010 as written. Motion carried.

Motion by Wojan and seconded by Cole to approve the schedule of payments. Motion carried.

All recent correspondence read by Speck.

#### Reports:

All millage proposals on ballot for August Primary passed for three years 2010 through 2012 inclusive. They are Township Operating Millage, Fire Department Millage, Street and Road Millage, Landfill and Transfer Station Millage, Airport Millage, and Beaver Island Rural Health Center Millage.

#### Old Business:

Whiskey Island/DNR Property: As of this date, no news from the DNR on the property swap. Speck explained the urgency of completing this transaction before the end of this year 2010, as the current legislators or DNR officers will be done. Comments for and against this swap were heard by the Board. A second Public Hearing is not being planned. Motion was made by Cole and seconded by Wojan authorizing the Supervisor to continue with original intent. Motion carried.

#### New Business:

Airport Committee & Airport Governing Document: Peaine Township Supervisor is requesting Mead & Hunt be invited to come to Island at this time to discuss the 10year Capitol Improvement Plan, but St. James Township is not in favor as their coming at this time is premature. Peaine Township approved a sub-committee to allow the business of the Airport to continue and for Don Vyse to remain as Chairman. Speck stated next step would be to amend the current airport ordinance which would explain how the committee is structured and then a joint meeting of the two Township Boards would be held after both Townships Attorney's have reviewed the proposed changes to the ordinance.

Request from Veterans for bench for Memorial Park: A request from the Am-Vets was made to purchase a bench for their new memorial park. At this time Speck stated the Township did not have the extra funds available, but would consider the request when preparing the new budget for 2011.

Request NRETC to amend their founding resolution to add Chamber of Commerce and Conservation Club to their membership: This proposal has now been taken care of by the NRETC.

Motion to approve American Waste as carrier of Transfer Station Debris: The Waste Management Committee is requesting approval to change companies who haul the debris on the mainland. In the past the carrier was Waste Management, but after research, found that American Waste cost was considerably less. New contract would take effect on September 1, 2010. Motion was made by Cole and seconded by Speck to approve American Waste as carrier. Motion carried.

Motion to allow Clerk to pursue pension withdrawal for former Board member: Motion by Speck and seconded by Cole to allow Clerk to pursue the withdrawal. Motion carried.

Transportation Authority Appointment: Motion made by Cole and seconded by Wojan for Clerk to post for the opening on the Transportation Authority as of September 30, 2010. Motion carried.

Jim Wojan stated he is requesting that a joint Township meeting with Peaine should be set within a month to amend the current airport ordinance. This needs to be settled soon. A draft agreement needs to be put together then reviewed by both Township Attorneys and hold a joint meeting by September 15. Motion made by Wojan authorizing Supervisor to start discussion with Peaine Township Supervisor Jack Gallagher and have draft agreement put together and reviewed by Township Attorneys and then have joint meeting by September. Seconded by Cole. Motion carried.

Motion by Wojan and seconded by Wierenga to adjourn meeting at 8:20pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:  
Jean Wierenga, Clerk