

Avon Township Board of Supervisors  
November 7, 2007  
Avon City Hall

The regular meeting of the supervisors was called to order by Chairman LeRoy Gondringer at 7:30pm. We began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present; LeRoy Gondringer, John Merdan, Kelly Martini, Richard Bresnahan, Renee Smith. All present. Also present were; Jeff Lange, Steve Saupe, Ken Mergen.

Agenda: Ted Boran and Chuck Wocken were added. Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan to approve the agenda. All in favor.

Minutes; Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the minutes. All in favor.

Martini presented the treasurers report. (see attached). Motion by Merdan, seconded by Bresnahan, to approve the treasurer's report. All in favor.

The supervisors examined the claims to be approved for this month. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the claims payment. All in favor.

A representative from the Albany Phone Company was present to talk about heir plan to build a small (15x20 feet) block building off Tower Road facing the road near the trail crossing. The building will house some electronic phone equipment. They will need a setback variance to be 17 feet from the property line. the phone rep. will attend the next planning board meeting and give more exact details about the building location and placement so that the board may set the time and date of the hearing.

Road Report; Jeff Lange talked about the need to put stones at the end of the easement at Highland Terrance waterway.

Lange presented his contract for 2008. Prices will be \$121 per hour for snow plowing, \$88 for blading and \$68 for ditch mowing. These prices may be negotiated at anytime due to rising costs. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the contract for one year, until September 2008. All in favor.

Discussion concerning the project on 165<sup>th</sup>. Board feels it would be best to put the cul-de-sac at the end in the center of the road. The culvert in place there is probably too big for the amount of water flow. Since the job will be over \$20,000, it has to be put out on bids.

Merdan reported that the crackfill job is finished. He felt the company, L&M of Belgrade, did an excellent job and recommended them for future projects.

Planning Board report; Shawn Bertram had a public hearing for a setback variance for construction of a shed near Pine Lake. Bertram agreed to some adjustment in the size of the building to satisfy the setback requirement. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the planning board recommendation. All in favor.

Motion by Gondringer, seconded by Bresnahan, to hold a public hearing to change township setback rules to match the county rule.

Township will require setback of 63 feet from the center of the road or 30 feet from the property line, whichever is greater. This will be in R1 zone only. A hearing was set for December 5 at 8:30pm. All in favor.

Motion by Gondringer, seconded by Bresnahan, the Avon Township sends a letter of support for the updated county comp plan, especially the area including Avon Township. Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to approve the planning board work report. All in favor.

Smith and Martini were asked to attend the census meeting at St Joseph on November 14.

Motion by Bresnahan, seconded by Merdan, to renew the humane society contract with the township for another year. All in favor.

The supervisors reviewed the copies of the county permits from October for township building activity.

Eric Linn has talked to the supervisors about establishing some sort of a fire policy for the mobile home park.

Township Association fall meetings will be held in St Cloud on November 16 and 17.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00pm.

	General Revenue	Road & Bridge	Fire	Road Damage	Total
Balance from 9-30-07	\$40,317.88	\$208,244.65	\$14,997.86	\$2,400.00	\$265,960.39
Receipts	\$665.92	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$740.92
Total	\$40,983.80	\$208,319.65	\$14,997.86	\$2,400.00	\$266,701.31
Disbursements	\$4,780.23	\$111,534.56	\$3,373.00	\$0.00	\$119,687.79
Balance ending 10-31-07	\$36,203.57	\$96,785.09	\$11,624.86	\$2,400.00	\$147,013.52
CD ending balance in fire fund			<u>\$15,000.00</u> (\$3,375.14)		