

PINE RIVER TOWNSHIP

Gratiot County Michigan

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

April 9, 1997

Tentative Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge to the Flag
3. Roll Call
4. Approve the Agenda
5. Approve the Minutes - March 12, 1997
6. Brief Public Comment (2 minutes)
7. Approval to Pay Bills
8. Reports by Boards, Committees & Agents
 - a. Treasurer
 - b. General Fund Budget
 - c. Sewer Committee
 - d. Assessor
9. Old Business
 - a. Sewer Treatment - St. Louis *Alma*
 - b. Roads - choosing which 5 miles to gravel
 - c. Bierlein Contract
 - d.
10. New Business
 - a. News Article - Reponse from T. Goggin
 - b. Funding fire truck-
 - c. Copier - *tabled*
 - d. Resolution - Secretary
 - e.
11. Extended Public Comment (4 minutes)
12. Announcements
13. Adjournment

Maybe Video

MINUTES OF THE PINE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD
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1. The regular monthly meeting of Pine River Township was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Elnora VanderVeen at the township hall.
2. The board and guests gave pledge to the flag.
3. Present for Roll Call: Linn, VanderVeen, Smith, Lofgren.
4. Motion by Smith, second by Lofgren to approve the agenda as presented with no additions. 4 yeas - 0 nays.
5. Motion by Smith, second by Linn to approve the minutes from the Pine River township board meeting of March 12, 1997. No additions or corrections. 4 yeas - 0 nays.
6. Brief public comment. None
7. Motion made by Smith, second by Linn to pay the bills as presented to the board. Roll Call: VanderVeen-yes, Linn- yes, Smith - yes, Lofgren - yes.
- 8.A. Motion by Lofgren, second by Smith to approve the Treasurers report as presented to the board. 4 yeas - 0 nays.
B. The General Fund Budget was presented to the board for review by Supervisor VanderVeen.
C..Lou Scott - St. Louis Sewer 10 & 10A. Lou reported that Grafton Road manholes were removed to check flow and found much of it to be full of muck and sand. It was scheduled with Mac from the City of St. Louis to bring a couple workers and a water truck on the following Monday to flush the Grafton Road part of the system.
D. Michael Foust - Assessor. Michael briefly explained the new Land Division Act. Each Township has to give approval before division. Land Division Act is actually the new name for the Sub-division Control Act of 1967. Split Rights (new term) if not designated the original owner retains the rights. Supervisor is going to talk to the Planning and Zoning Committee to come up with recommendations on how to handle.
9. Old business.
A. Sewer treatment - St. Louis. 10 & 10A rate. Supervisor VanderVeen asked to set a special meeting for Wednesday April 23 at 7:00 pm to establish new sewer rates. Motion made by Lofgren, second by Smith. 4 yeas - 0 nays. Supervisor VanderVeen asked Board permission to take the Alma sewer contract to the attorney for help in interpreting the contract in an attempt to expand the Alma sewer.
B. Motion made by Smith, second by Lofgren to sign the contract with The Gratiot County Road Commission to resurface 5 miles of road in Pine River Township. This contract is to exclude

the mile of Ennis road between M-46 and Madison since there is only one house all the way by the corner of Ennis and Madison. The fifth mile to resurface would then be the original 6th choice of the Road Commission. 4 yeahs - 0 nays.

C. Bierlein Contract. It was suggested by our Attorney to add to the contract that Bierlein should notify Pine River Township befor proceeding if the clean up would run in excess of \$25,000. Motion by Linn, second by Lofgren to sign the contract with Bierlein with the one addition should the clean up run in excess of \$25,000. Roll Call: VanderVeen - yes, Linn - yes, Lofgren - yes, Smith - yes.

10. New Business.

A. Supervisor VanderVeen presented to the board a letter of apology and retraction from T. Goggin in regards to the article he had written about a landfill being built in Pine River Township.

B. Funding of Alma Fire Truck. Motion by Smith, second by Lofgren to pay for Pine River Townships portion over a period of seven years instead of all at once. Roll Call: Smith - yes, Lofgren - yes, Linn - yes, VanderVeen - yes.

C. Copier. Motion by Smith, second by Lofgren to table the purchase of a copier until the May Meeting. 4 yeahs - 0 nays.

D. Resolution to establish Holiday Pay and vacation pay for the Utility clerk/ Secretary . Motion by Linn, second by Lofgren to establish 6 holidays with pay for the Utility clerk/ Secretary. These six days will be Christmas Day, New Years Day, Thanksgiving Day, Memorial Day, Independance Day, and Labor Day. Also that the Utility clerk/ Secretary would be entitled to 20 hours vacation after the first year to be used at the rate of 5 days at 4 hours per day and an additional 4 hours per year for each additional year worked with a limit of a total of 60 hours or 15 half days or three weeks based on a 20 hour work week. 4 yeahs - o nays.

11. Extended Public comment. NONE

12. Announcements. Supervisor VanderVeen announced there is going to be a water main project to Orchard Hills by the City of St. Louis. There is a Gratiot County Planning Commission meeting on April 15 at 7:30 pm at the Ithaca Courthouse.

13. Motion by Smith, second by Lofgren to adjourn.