

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

September 10, 1997

Tentative Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge to the Flag
3. Roll Call
4. Approve the Agenda
5. Public Hearing - Cheesman Road (7:15 pm.)
6. Approve the Minutes - August 13, 1997
7. Brief Public Comment - on items on the agenda (2 minutes)
8. Approval to pay Bills
9. Reports by Boards, Committees & Agents
 - a. Treasurer
 - b. General Fund Budget Report
 - * Zoning & Blight Officer Report
10. Old Business
 - a. Cheesman Road - paving
 - b. Update on Extention of Alma Sewer (Pung's Project)
 - c. Cemetery -
 - d.
11. New Business
 - a. Set hearing for PPC Realty Re-zoning
 - b. Letter from Michigan Chloride
 - c. Shingles off roof
 - d. Probation Period Ended for Office Secretary
12. Extended Public Comment (4 minutes)
13. Announcements
14. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE PINE RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
SEPTEMBER 10, 1997

1. The regular monthly meeting of the Pine River Township Board 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: Loper, VanderVeen, Lofgren, Linn,
(Smith not present)
4. Approve the Agenda. Add 10C Cemetary to the agenda of old business. Add to new business, c. Shingles off roof, d. Office secretary/ utility clerk (probation period over)
Loper made a motion to approve the agenda with three additions as listed above and Lofgren made second. All four board members voted yea to approve the agenda.
9. C. There was a motion by Linn and a second by Loper to have a blight report at this time. All four board members voted yea to this. Eugene Sinclair reported that he would submit in writing at a later date all of the blight cases that have come up and the results of each. He reported the following at this time:
 - a. that he has sent a letter of expectations to the Wells road blight.
 - b. that there is a further problem with the Davidson blight at the rear of the property. he will get with Ancell and Davidson to determine if there is in fact further blight.
 - c. that he has not been able to get with Peggy Trgina to determine what the blight is on the property next to her.
6. Motion by Loper and second by Linn to approve the minutes of the August 13 meeting with one typing error corrected and the fact that the cemetary survey was discussed at the August meeting. All four board members voted yea to approve the minutes.
5. Public Hearing on Cheeseman Road. Gratiot County Road Commissioner, Fred Walkington, began by giving the board and guests a brief history on how the paving of Cheeseman Road came about.
 - a. began over twelve years ago.
 - b. the road commission had to apply for a change in the class of the road from local to primary.
 - c. in 1997 the road commission applied for Economic Development Fund Catagory F (a state funded program). The road commission was told that Cheeseman Road would not merit funding but the contribution factor would make a difference. Private contributions of 55,000.00 and the Road Commissions 69,000.00 (20% of the total cost of the road). The road commission would pay 2/3 of the 69,000.00 and Pine River Township would pay 1/3.
 - d. The road commission was granted 221,000.00 for the

building of Cheeseman Road.

e. Cheeseman Road must be built as an all-season road.

f. will be ready to bid the spring of 1998.

g. currently has a traffic count of 600 vehicles per day and is estimated to be at 1800 vehicles per day after completion.

h. also must carry commercial vehicles.

There was a question as to any signing to warn east bound traffic on Cheeseman about southbound traffic on Begole Road. (this will be studied at a later date).

Any Speed limit signing. Answer was no but would be studied.

The road would be designed to carry water off and away. The road would probably be built on top of existing road.

Public hearing closed

7. Brief public comment. NONE

8. Approval to pay bills. Motion by Linn, second by Loper to pay the bills as listed and presented to the board. All board members voted yea to pay the bills as presented.

9. Reports by boards and committees

a. Treasurers report was given to the board and filed.

b. General fund budget was given to the board and filed.

10. Old business

a. We have a resolution to establish a district. Clerk read the resolution to the board and guests. There was a motion by Lofgren to accept the resolution and a second by Linn. Roll Call: VanderVeen-yes, Loper-yes, Linn-yes, Lofgren-yes. All four board members voted yes to accept the resolution. Copy attached.

b. Update on the extension of Alma sewer (Pung's project) Mike Pung is running the sewer from the manhole to the east of Comfort Inn straight north to the rear of Comfort Inn and then at a 45 degree angle from there. He stated that he had to make changes and that updated plans would be made available to the township.

c. It was discussed that we had already approved the clerk to check into contracting a company to survey the Cemetery.

11. a. A hearing was set for October 1, 1997 at the Pine River Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the request to rezone a six acre parcel on Luce Road for RPC Agency from agriculture to Office. Motion by Loper, second by Lofgren. All board members voted yea. Clerk will advertise hearing in the local paper.

b. We have a letter from Michigan Chloride with pricing that we will hold on file until a later date when the 1998 contract is up for renewal.

c. Motion by Loper, second by Linn to advertise in the local paper for bids on repairing the roof of the township hall. All four board members voted yea to do so.

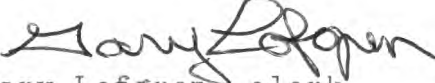
d. There was a motion by Lofgren and a second by Linn to increase the hourly rate of the secretary/utility clerk from 5.70 to 6.00 per hour due to probation period being over and the general opinion that she is deserving of the increase.

VanderVeen-yea, Loper-yea, Linn-yea, Lofgren-yea. All 4 yeas.

12. Extended public comment

13. It was announced that Cindy Seales mother was hospitalized and in a coma and the board decided to send a card.

14. Motion by Loper, second by Lofgren to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 P.M. All voted yea.


Gary Lofgren, clerk

PINE RIVER TOWNSHIP

GRATIOT COUNTY MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION NR. _____

A RESOLUTION TO SET AN OPEN HEARING FOR CHEESMAN ROAD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Pine River Township has reviewed the necessity of the improvement project for Cheesman road, its costs and local portion of total expenditures for the project and reviewed plans made available by the Gratiot County Road Commission; and

WHEREAS, the validity and necessity of the project have been clearly established through public input, as well as comment by township residents, businesses and surrounding governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Pine River Township has held an open hearing of necessity and review on September 10, 1997, as mandated by State of Michigan statute; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees establish a special assessment district including all properties lying within the described special assessment district, to wit:

All properties lying within a line drawn between Alger Road on the West and Begole Road on the East and immediately abutting Cheesman Road on both North and South sides.

and that it affix this list to this resolution; and

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees establish an open hearing concerning the special assessment district and the manner of assessing charges, as mandated by State of Michigan statute, for Wednesday, October 8, 1997, at 7:15 pm., said hearing to be held at the township hall, 11495 West Monroe Road, St. Louis, MI.

The resolution was offered at a regularly-held township board meeting on September 10, 1997. The resolution was moved by _____, seconded by _____, Results of vote: Yes ____; No: _____. The supervisor declared the resolution passed.

Gary Lofgren, Clerk

PINE RIVER TOWNSHIP

1495 W. MONROE ROAD
ST. LOUIS, MICHIGAN 48880

517-681-5523
HOURS: 8:00 A.M. ~ 12:00 NOON

PROPERTY OWNERS LOCATED ON CHEESMAN ROAD

29-12-027-001-00	Erma Lee Saur 1211 E. Hastings Lake Road Jonesville, MI 49250
29-12-027-027-20	William & Dorothy Cowdery 2409 W. Cheesman Rd. Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-012-60	Colt enterprises L. Douglas Lippert & J. Simunek P.O. Box 9 Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-011-00	Cleo Leppien 815 N. State Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-030-00	Stephen & Jean Williams 2157 W. Cheesman Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-012-10	Central Michigan News 322 N. State Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-027-00	Charles & Penelope Fischer 3195 Driftwood Court Carmel, IN 46033
29-12-027-027-30	Larry Gillis 5306 E. Blanchard Shepherd, MI 48883
29-12-027-012-05	Wolohan Lumber Co. 1740 Midland Rd. Saginaw, MI 48605

29-12-027-031-00	Vickie Sue Earegood 2115 W. Cheesman Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-028-00	Vickie Sue Earegood 2115 W. Cheesman Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-032-00	John Suhan 2231 W. Cheesman Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-027-10	Ken & Rochelle Ruedger 2265 W. Cheesman Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-012-00	Mike Pung 5475 Blue Heron Dr. Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-012-70	Mike Pung 5475 Blue Heron Dr. Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-011-10	The Leppien Foundation 815 N. State Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-029-00	James & Sandra Seals 2181 W. Cheesman Alma, MI 48801
29-12-027-033-30	Sacred Heart Mercy Health Care Center 7495 N. Begole Rd. Alma, MI 48801