

BEDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
8100 JACKMAN ROAD, TEMPERANCE, MI 48182
September 15, 2009

PRESENT:

Walt Wilburn, Supervisor
Robert A. Schockman, Clerk
Sherri S. Meyer, Treasurer

Paul Francis, Trustee
Larry O'Dell, Trustee
James Goebel, Trustee
Gail Hauser-Hurley, Trustee

EXCUSED:

ALSO PRESENT: Dennis Jenkins, Planning/Zoning Coordinator

The Regular Meeting of the Bedford Township Board was called to order by Wilburn at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING

APPROVAL OF IFEC APPLICATION FOR UNIQUE TOOL & MANUFACTURING

Motion was made by Goebel, seconded by Hurley to open the public hearing to approve the IFEC application for Unique Tool and Manufacturing. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Nancy Tienvieri, 3962 Coachman, spoke, requesting an explanation of an IFEC.

Motion was made by Goebel, seconded by Hurley to close the public hearing. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Schockman spoke, explaining this request is from Unique Tool and Manufacturing, a long time business in Bedford, requesting a 12 year tax abatement on \$349,433.00 worth of new personal property, which will retain 26 jobs and add 3 to 5 new jobs. Francis spoke, citing the purpose of an IFEC is to encourage businesses to invest in their communities and create jobs. Motion was made by Schockman, seconded by O'Dell to approve the IFEC application for Unique Tool and Manufacturing for 12 years, for personal property totaling \$349,433.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion was made by Goebel, seconded by Hurley to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND LEVY RESOLUTION FOR THE 2009-10 TAX ROLL

Schockman spoke, stating approval of this General Fund Levy Resolution for .7918 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value is required by law each year and is for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion was made by Schockman, seconded by Meyer to approve the General Fund Levy Resolution for .7918 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF FIRE DISTRICT FUND LEVY RESOLUTION FOR THE 2009-10 TAX ROLL

Schockman spoke, stating approval of this Fire District Fund Levy Resolution for .8980 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value is required by law each year and is for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion was made by Schockman, seconded by Hurley to approve the Fire District Fund Levy Resolution for .8980 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF TRANSIT SYSTEM FUND LEVY RESOLUTION FOR THE 2009-10 TAX ROLL

Schockman spoke, stating approval of this Transit System Fund Levy Resolution for .2464 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value is required by law each year and is for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion was made by Schockman, seconded by Meyer to approve the Transit System Fund Levy Resolution for .2464 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF LIBRARY FUND LEVY RESOLUTION FOR THE 2009-10 TAX ROLL

Schockman spoke, stating approval of this Library Fund Levy Resolution for .7185 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value is required by law each year and is for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion was made by Schockman, seconded by Hurley to approve the Library Fund Levy Resolution for .7185 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF POLICE FUND LEVY RESOLUTION FOR THE 2009-10 TAX ROLL

Schockman spoke, stating approval of this Police Fund Levy Resolution for .4000 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value is required by law each year and is for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion was made by Schockman, seconded by O'Dell to approve the Police Fund Levy Resolution for .4000 mills per \$1,000 of taxable value for the 2009-10 tax roll. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion was made by Hurley, seconded by Goebel to approve the consent agenda as published, motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nancy Tienvieri, 3962 Coachman, spoke to the board regarding various township issues.
Gail Keane, 1056 W. Temperance, commented on Adopt-A-Road issues, and spoke regarding other township issues.

REPORTS FROM STAFF –

APPROVAL OF FISHER MEADOWS FINAL PRELIMINARY PLAT EXTENSION

Jenkins spoke, explaining this request for a two year extension of time on the final preliminary plat approval of Fisher Meadows is due to the current market conditions. Motion was made by Hurley, seconded by Goebel to approve the two year extension of the Fisher Meadows Final

Preliminary Plat to September 20, 2011, subject to the same terms and conditions attached to the original approval of September 20, 2005. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF ST. GERMAIN REZONING FROM R-2A TO PBO

Jenkins informed the board this request for a zoning change on parcel no. 58-02-031-091-00, 6801 Secor Road, was formerly the site of a day care center and originally the site of Rawson School. He further stated the request is consistent with PBO zoned property to the south and west of this site, and has been approved by both Bedford Township Planning and Monroe County Planning Commissions. Motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Goebel, to approve the rezoning request for 6801 Secor, parcel no. 58-02-031-091-00, from R2-A to PBO (Professional Business Office), this request being consistent with the PBO zoned property located south and west of the site, as approved by Bedford Township Planning at their August 12, 2009 meeting and by Monroe County Planning at their September 9, 2009 meeting. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER REZONING FROM RME TO PBO

Jenkins spoke, explaining this requested rezoning change on parcel no. 58-02-022-044-10 and a portion of 58-02-022-004-30, 8765 Lewis Avenue, will enable the Family Medical Center to expand their facility. It is considered compatible with adjacent zoning, and was approved by both Bedford Township Planning and Monroe County Planning Commissions. O'Dell questioned the flood plain issue, and Jenkins explained the property is in a 100 year flood plain and this issue would be addressed at the time the site plan is submitted. Motion was made by Meyer, seconded by O'Dell to approve the rezoning request for Family Medical Center, located at 8765 Lewis Avenue, for property no. 58-02-022-004-10 and a portion of 58-02-022-004-30 from RME (Elderly Housing Residential) to PBO (Professional Business Office) to allow for expansion of the medical facility, as approved by Bedford Township Planning at their August 12, 2009 meeting and by Monroe County Planning at their September 9, 2009 meeting, for the reasons given in the May 13, 2009 Planning Commission minutes that it would be consistent to adjoin with existing PBO and is compatible with adjacent zoning, in addition, the parcels shall be combined prior to any building constructed on the site. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

NEW BUSINESS –

APPROVAL OF BILLS- Motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Schockman to approve the following vouchers for payment: General Fund-\$68,260.43, Fire District-\$43,266.71, Police Fund-\$305.80, Park Fund-\$780.75, Building Inspection Fund-\$314.56, Library Operating Fund-\$7409.61, DDA Fund-\$1,623.40, Sewer Operation & Main. Fund-\$143,243.50, & Trust & Agency Fund-\$752.00, for a total of \$265,956.76. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

**APPROVAL OF ROAD IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT CHANGE FOR STERNS ROAD @
SPRINGBROOK DRAIN 2010 ARRA**

Wilburn spoke, explaining this contract change, totaling a \$5,000 increase, was due to unexpected additional costs for the design and survey services for the Sterns Road at Springbrook Drain 2010 ARRA. Motion was made by O'Dell, seconded by Hurley to approve the road improvement change for a \$5,000 increase in costs for design and survey services for the Sterns Road at Springbrook Drain 2010 ARRA. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Aye: Francis, Meyer, O'Dell, Schockman, Goebel, Hurley, & Wilburn. Nays: None. Absent: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nancy Tienvieri, 3962 Coachman, again spoke to the board regarding various township issues.
Marge Cousino, 7849 Comanche, spoke to the board regarding various township issues.
Gerald Mullen, 8988 Whitewood, spoke to the board regarding the sheriff's substation
Gail Keane, 1056 W. Temperance, spoke to the board regarding various township issues.
Bob Tienvieri, 3962 Coachman, thanked Gail Keane for her work on Adopt-A-Road in Bedford
Kevin Tracy, 7498 Indian, questioned the status of the Whitman lawsuit

REPORTS FROM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS

Hurley – Stated the Temperance Day event was very successful, and the monies collected from the car show will be used to benefit the Veteran's Memorial Park.
O'Dell – Spoke regarding Metro Funds being used for sidewalk installation, and commented on various issues mentioned by residents under public comment.
Francis – Spoke regarding potential Town Hall meetings, and the need to improve communication skills with the public.
Meyer – Thanked residents for their comments, Gail Keane for her work on Adopt-A-Road, and thanked her staff for all of their hard work with the summer tax collection.
Schockman – Mentioned the Library board is doing a great job, and TMACOG has some transportation issues coming up.
Wilburn – Thanked everyone who attended the meeting and spoke, thanked TAC for their hard work making Temperance Day a great success, and reminded residents of the Grand Opening of the pocket park at Kroger Plaza on Saturday, September 19, 2009 from 11:30 until 2:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Robert A. Schockman
Bedford Township Clerk

Garnet Francis
Recording Secretary