

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
November 13, 2008
SYNOPSIS

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Walls

PUBLIC COMMENT: Tom Weiler, 9225 Hillcrest commented regarding abandonment proceedings for a section for Bridge Lake Rd.
Supervisor-elect Mike Trout expressed appreciation to Supervisor Walls for his assistance with the transition.
Oakland County Commission Chair Bill Bullard presented proclamations to Trustee Cooper, Clerk Strole and Supervisor Walls.
Trustee Vallad read a personal tribute to retiring Clerk Strole and Supervisor Walls on the occasion of their last Board Meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Approved Minutes: October 9, 2008 Regular Meeting with bills and additional disbursements of \$267,111.36
- b) Accepted October 2008 Treasurer's Report
- c) Received October 2008 Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Ordinance and Fire
- d) Authorized payment of bills as presented, total \$23,570.82
- e) Adopted resolution to approve appointment of Cherie Monette and Barb Myers to the Holly Area Youth Assistance Board of Directors
- f) Authorized extension of the Code Enforcement Agreement from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009
- g) Authorized attendance at the MTA convention for Township Board members at a cost of up to \$400.00 each
- h) Authorized attendance at the New Officials Training sessions for the 3 new elected Board members, not to exceed \$550.00
- i) Approved 2009 Sheriff Department Contract
- j) Approved 2008 Budget Amendments for Bridge Lake, General and Fire funds
- k) Received communications and placed on file.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: 2009 CDBG Funds: Received oral and written comments

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Adopted Budget Amendments for 2008 Parks & Recreation Fund

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. 2009 CDBG Funds:
 - a) Approved 2009 agreement and authorized execution
 - b) Allocated funds to: Planning & Management: Dixie Hwy planning; Public Service: Crisis intervention, emergency services, youth programs, services for disabled; Other minor home repair
- 2. Boulder Pass/Oak Valley Emergency Vehicle connection: established \$9,000.00 budget and awarded contract to Rogers Excavating
- 3. Discussed Capital Improvements Plan
- 4. Reviewed Dixie Hwy. Boulevard Concept Plan
- 5. Amendments to Zoning Ordinance No. 26:
 - a) First Reading: Articles II, XIV, XVI, XVIII and XIX, authorized Second Reading
 - b) First Reading: Articles XII, XIII and XV, authorized Second Reading
- 6. First Reading: Mining Control Ordinance, authorized Second Reading
- 7. 2009 Employee medical insurance: Increased employee co-pay

PUBLIC COMMENT: Trustee Cooper, Clerk Strole and Supervisor Walls thanked the Springfield Township community for the opportunity to serve.

ADJOURNED: 9:55 p.m.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk

Call to Order: Supervisor Collin Walls called the November 13, 2008 Regular Meeting of the Springfield Township Board to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present

Collin W. Walls	Township Supervisor
Nancy Strole	Township Clerk
Jamie Dubre	Township Treasurer
David Hopper	Township Trustee
Roger Lamont	Township Trustee
Marc Cooper	Township Trustee
Dennis Vallad	Township Trustee

Board Members Not Present

None

Others Present

Greg Need	Township Attorney
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Agenda Additions & Changes:

Supervisor Walls stated Board Members previously received an agenda that included an item for second reading that was tabled at the last meeting until a corresponding proposed amendment was received from the Planning Commission for second reading; the second reading won't be until next month so it has been removed from the agenda. There is a zoning ordinance amendment for First Reading that has a companion general ordinance for First Reading that was not included on the first draft of agenda. It has since been provided to Board Members and placed on the agenda. He further stated Board Members received copies of all articles of the zoning ordinance up for First Reading, but they were not all included on the agenda, and have since been added.

Supervisor Walls stated a request from the Park Commission was received regarding a budget amendment for fencing, and if the Board agrees to add it to the agenda, he asked that it be addressed when the Parks and Recreation budget amendments are addressed under Old Business.

Treasurer Dubre asked that New Business, item 8 'Additional Compensation – Deputy Treasurer' be removed from the agenda.

There were no objections to these changes.

Public Comment:

Tom Wyler, 9171 Hillcrest, stated he has been coming to meetings for decades and said there was a meeting on October 6th with a representative from the Road Commission to close Bridge Lake Road and he was disappointed no one represented Springfield Township. He asked the gentlemen from the Road Commission if the County recognizes Bridge Lake as a private lake, and could not get his question answered.

Mike Trout (Supervisor Elect), 8662 South Shore, publicly recognized Supervisor Walls, Clerk Strole, and Trustee Cooper for their service to the community. He thanked Supervisor Walls for opening his office to him the last few months to help with the transition effort and again thanked the outgoing Board members for their commitment and service to the community.

Bill Bullard, County Commissioner, District 2, presented Proclamations, adopted by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, to Supervisor Walls, Clerk Strole, and Trustee Cooper recognizing their years of service to Springfield Township.

Trustee Vallad read a letter he prepared reflecting on the twenty years he has worked together with Supervisor Walls and Clerk Strole and thank them for their years of friendship and service to the community.

Consent Agenda:

- * **Treasurer Dubre moved to approve the Consent Agenda as published. Trustee Lamont supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Dubre, Cooper, Hopper, Lamont, Strole, Vallad and Walls; No: None; Absent: None. The motion carried by a 7 to 0 vote.**

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Receipt of Communications

- Letter from Comcast regarding rate increases
- Letter from MTA regarding the proposed National EMS education and accreditation standards
- Letter from Road Commission for Oakland County regarding sign replacement
- Memo from Supervisor Walls regarding Northwest Oakland Fire Collaboration Report

Public Hearing: 2009 CDBG Funds

Supervisor Walls opened the Public Hearing at 7:52 p.m.

Supervisor Walls stated HUD has indicated the Public Hearing needs to be conducted differently than what is typical for the Township. According to HUD, the Public Hearing should not be used for individuals, or groups, to request funding from the Township. It should be used for questions and comments on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and potential funding sources.

Supervisor Walls stated CDBG funds are federal funds for the Township allocated through Oakland County. It is also a statewide program, but the communities that work with the state compete with each other for funding. By working with Oakland County, the Township is able, along with other communities in the County, to get a fixed allocation of funds each year. The estimated allocation for Springfield Township for 2009 is \$31,700. The funds will be available to spend in mid-2009.

Supervisor Walls stated the purpose of the funds is to benefit low-to-moderate income individuals, families, and areas. Low and moderate income areas are determined every ten years by census. He stated there is one area in Springfield Township that meets this qualification; that area which is bounded by Dixie Highway on the east, Davisburg Road on the south, I-75 on the west, and the Township line to the north.

Supervisor Walls stated in the past the Township has allocated funds for improvements and equipment at Fire Station #2 because it is located in the qualified area of the Township. Based upon the requirements within this area to meet certain criteria, improvement and equipment expenses are no longer allowed expenditures. He stated road improvements have also been done in the area.

Supervisor Walls stated out of the \$31,700 available, the Township can use up to a maximum of 20% for planning, management, and administration functions. He stated Parks and Recreation plans, the Master Plan update, and specials studies have been done through CDBG as a planning activity in the past.

Supervisor Walls stated 45% (approx. \$14,300) of CDBG funds can be used for public services. These activities include emergency services, utility assistance, food programs, recreational programs, programs for the disabled, certain senior citizen activities, abuse prevention programs, youth services, etc.

Supervisor Walls stated the remainder of funds (approx. \$11,000.00) can be allocated to other eligible programs and services such as minor home repair, water heater replacement, and working in conjunction with other public service organizations.

Supervisor Walls stated the Township has received over \$26,000 in funding requests from organizations that qualify for public services monies, which total \$14,300.00. In addition, a written request for planning funds was received from Parks and Recreation, for Phase II of an Ecosystem Management Plan for Shiawassee Basin Preserve. Verbal suggestions for planning funds include a feasibility study to determine whether Fire Station #1 is expandable, as well as economic improvements and development along the Dixie Highway corridor.

Supervisor Walls clarified the Township cannot allocate funds directly to individual planning agencies, but rather must contract for services.

Diane Howell and Margaret Bloom from Holly Area Youth Assistance stated they appreciate comments made tonight.

Supervisor Walls closed the Public Hearing at 8:05 p.m.

Old Business:

1. Proposed Budget Amendments for 2008 Parks and Recreation fund

* **Clerk Strole moved to adopt budget amendments for the Parks and Recreation Fund as outlined and presented to the Township in the November 13, 2008 Park Commission memo. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion. Vote on the motion: Yes: Cooper, Dubre, Hopper, Lamont, Strole, and Vallad; No: Walls; Absent: None. The motion carried by a 6 to 1 vote.**

New Business:

1. 2009 CDBG Funds

* **Supervisor Walls moved to approve the 2009 Community Development Block Grant Agreement and to authorize the Supervisor to sign the application and sub-recipient agreement. Clerk Strole supported the motion. Vote on the motion: Yes: Cooper, Dubre, Hopper, Lamont, Strole, Vallad and Walls; No: None; Absent: None. The motion carried by a 7 to 0 vote.**

Clerk Strole stated it is really difficult to give all the services money that are deserving of support. She feels emergency services can use anything the Township can provide. She also feels crisis intervention is an area of service that will have increased demands on it due to tough economic times. She thinks in the area of public service that youth services need support as well.

Treasurer Dubre stated Parks and Recreation did not budget for any CDBG funds and the Ecosystem Management Plan is in the budget. She asked if this project would continue if CDBG funds were not allocated to it.

Jennifer Tucker, Director of Parks and Recreation, stated Phase II of the Ecosystem Management Plan would not be done if CDBG funds are not allocated for it.

Supervisor Walls stated CDBG funds were anticipated and budgeted and additional planning funds were also anticipated and budgeted for projects such as implementing plans on the Dixie corridor. He does not recall during budget time that the two items were tied together.

Supervisor Walls stated revenue for CDBG funds are in the General Fund budget, as well as general expenses that were budgeted for. He recalls as part of previous discussions that it was decided since three Board members would be gone, funds were allocated more generically to allow the next Board to establish priorities.

Treasurer Dubre stated she would like some of the funds available for planning services be used toward the Phase II Ecosystem Management Plan. Out of the public service funds, she would like to see \$2500.00 toward crisis intervention; \$2,500.00 toward disabled services; the balance of funds (\$5365.00) toward emergency services. She also feels youth services is important and feels the remaining \$3900.00 can be split between the youth services.

Trustee Hopper agrees with Treasurer Dubre regarding the allocation of monies in the public services area. He would like the Supervisor to have some latitude with the \$6340.00 that can be used for planning and management to start engineering studies, or other studies, the Board feels necessary related to the Dixie Highway corridor. There will be development in this area sometime in the future and feels this is an ideal opportunity to get some studies at least partially funded. He would like the balance of funds to go to minor home repair.

Trustee Vallad asked about the 2007 allocation of \$6,125.00 for Senior Centers – Independence Repairs. Supervisor Walls stated those funds have to be reprogrammed. Trustee Vallad asked if that was being done tonight. Supervisor Walls responded no.

Supervisor Walls stated those funds were allocated to assist with the senior center in Independence Township but they decided to move quickly and in a direction that Springfield Township was not able to assist with.

Trustee Vallad asked if those funds could be reallocated to the senior van. Supervisor Walls responded no. He stated senior center funds are a separate allocation under HUD guidelines.

The senior van is considered a public service and because the Township already allocated the maximum for public service, monies can't be added to it.

Trustee Vallad stated he doesn't think it matters what planning project gets funded through CDBG because what doesn't get funded through CDBG, will be funded through Township funds. He would like to see emergency services funded as much as possible. He feels the crisis intervention is a good program but only a small number of program users come from Springfield Township so if money needed to be taken from one to pay another, his rationale would be to not fund the crisis intervention request. He also feels youth assistance should be funded as it has been in the past. He feels additional funding for the senior van program needs to be looked at.

Supervisor Walls stated a report on senior van use from the senior center has not been received in several months. He stated Township residents hardly use this service and feels it needs to be encouraged. He also pointed out that all the Township's SMART funds go to the operation of the senior van in Independence. Trustee Vallad stated he would like to look at this further down the road to see if the Township is supporting the program at an appropriate level.

Trustee Lamont stated he wishes there was enough money to fund all the requests as they are all needed programs. He feels that emergency services and minor home repair are priorities. He agrees with splitting up the allocation between the two youth assistance agencies. He also feels it is important to continue funding the senior van. He also agreed with Trustee Vallad regarding the allocation of planning monies because whichever one is funded through CDBG will provide relief to the Township.

Supervisor Walls thinks the Board should look at the CDBG program to extent possible to cover expenditures in the General Fund. Last year it was decided not to reduce the Township's commitment to youth assistance programs but to split the funding between the General Fund and CDBG funds and thinks that should continue. He thinks the planning monies should be allocated to those projects that seem to be the most immediate, and he feels that project is the Dixie Highway corridor. Supervisor Walls stated the Phase I Ecosystem Management Plan just recently had a contract signed so the Parks Department will be using funds into next year. He thinks Phase II of the project can have funds allocated toward it in next year's block grant program. He believes the balance of funds needs to go to minor home repair.

Supervisor Walls stated he was surprised that Kaleidoscope Foundation has over \$50,000.00 in the bank. Even though the money is allocated, that is over two years of funding.

Supervisor Walls asked what the approximate fund balance is for Neighbor for Neighbor, Inc. Neil Paquette, Treasurer for Neighbor for Neighbor, Inc., responded around \$60,000.00 total with approximately \$40,000.00 coming from an emergency fund created years ago. He stated that fund has been drawn down 3-4 years in a row. Supervisor Walls clarified that Neighbor for Neighbor, Inc. has less than one year's worth of operating expenses in reserve. Mr. Paquette responded that is correct.

Trustee Cooper referred to the Balance Sheet provided for Kaleidoscope Foundation, Inc. He clarified there is money in the building account that is designated money that can only be used for the building and their actual General Fund has less than \$2,000.00.

* **Trustee Hopper moved to allocate 2009 Community Development Block Grant Funds in an approximate amount of \$31,700.00 as follows:**

- **\$2,500.00 to Crisis Intervention**
- **\$5,365.00 to Emergency Services**
- **\$2,500.00 to Disabled Services**
- **\$3,900.00 to Youth Services**
- **\$6,340.00 to Planning and Management**

The Planning and Management monies are to be used by the Township Supervisor on behalf of Springfield Township to start studies related to Dixie Highway, such as utility lines, traffic safety issues, access controls, signalization planning, waste and water treatment options and recommendations.

The balance to eligible projects, approximately \$11,095.00 is allocated to Minor Home Repair. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion.

Supervisor Walls asked the three new incoming Township Board Members in the audience if the allocations were acceptable to them. All three responded yes.

Vote on the motion: Yes: Cooper, Dubre, Hopper, Lamont, Strole, Vallad and Walls; No: None; Absent: None. The motion carried by a 7 to 0 vote.

2. Boulder Pass/Oak Valley Emergency Vehicle Connection

Supervisor Walls stated he met with about a dozen residents from Pebble Creek last night and stated there was acceptance of the project, and agreement it needs to be done. A Road Commission permit was received and in reading it, found it indicated that in addition to the project that was outlined, two posts must be placed (on the public road side) on either side of the connection linked by a chain that cannot be locked.

Supervisor Walls stated residents in the area asked for a sign on the Pebble Creek side indicating the connection is for emergency use only. He asked the Road Commission about signage; the signage that the Road Commission would build and install on the public road side, which would indicate 'no thru traffic', would be around \$150. He stated the permit, and other fees, total \$450.00. In talking with the residents last night, it was indicated there is a sprinkler system installed in the area. It was suggested to ask the contractor, that in addition to finding and properly terminating sprinklers, to install a sleeve for all utilities underneath the concrete or asphalt. He stated this cost would be in addition to the contract, but would be relatively minor. He suggested the budget for the project be increased from \$8,500.00 to \$9,000.00. He reminded Board Members that his son works for Rogers Excavating, which is one of the two bidders.

Trustee Hopper stated the difference in the bids is about \$330.00 and neither bid fulfilled all the specs asked for in the Request for Proposals. He is leaning towards Rogers Excavating because

underground utilities are covered and the Township has worked with them in the past. He concurs with Supervisor Walls that the project budget should be increased to \$9,000.00. He agrees there should be a sign on Oak Valley Drive indicating there is no outlet and thinks a sign needs to be placed on Pebble Creek Drive indicating the access is for emergency vehicles only. He also likes the idea of using concrete instead of asphalt to give the appearance of a bike path.

Fire Chief Oaks expressed concern about chains being placed across emergency accesses because snow gets pushed up against them and they aren't cleared out.

* **Clerk Strole moved to establish a project budget of \$9,000.00 for the implementation of the connection between Pebble Creek and Oak Valley and to award the contract to Rogers Excavating with a directive that the construction of the connection be concrete instead of asphalt. Trustee Cooper supported the motion.**

Supervisor Walls asked Trustee Hopper if he would work with Mike Trout on administering this project. Trustee Hopper responded he'd be happy to.

Trustee Lamont asked if the intent of the motion was to include signs as discussed prior to the motion. Clerk Strole responded it was. Trustee Cooper concurred.

Jamie Bedenis 9864 Creekwood Trail, asked what the project time frame is.

Supervisor Walls responded he does not know. The quote is good for thirty days and that concrete can be laid in the wintertime so it is possible it could be completed this year.

Vote on the motion: Yes: Cooper, Dubre, Hopper, Lamont, Strole, Vallad and Walls; No: None; Absent: None. The motion carried by a 7 to 0 vote.

3. Capital Improvement Plan, Discussion

Supervisor Walls stated the Planning Act changed this year that requires a more active Capital Improvement Plan process, which includes an annual review. He stated the Plan should be an active part of the overall financial management of the Township. When the Township Board commissioned the Planner to update the Plan, the Planner met with Department Heads and gathered information which was compiled and presented to the Planning Commission. He stated what the Township Board has to look at tonight is the Planning Commission's wish list and the Capital Improvement Plan, which attempts to reduce projects to more palatable pieces and to eliminate from the cost and projects, anything that does not meet the definition of a capital expenditure.

Supervisor Walls stated there are significant cost factors associated with items that an Auditor may not consider a capital expenditure that the Board may want to take a closer look at next year. He suggested tonight that Board members give their input on the Plan and make sure it's complete.

Clerk Strole stated \$1,000,000.00 has been assigned to Shiawassee Basin north and thinks it needs to be broken down into more manageable amounts. She asked if expenses included in the \$1,000,000.00 that relate to the new park entrance and trails would not be considered capital outlay items. Supervisor Walls stated his assumption was trails that are mowed are not capital expenses.

Clerk Strole asked about trails that involve tree clearing and construction to prevent erosion. Supervisor Walls stated those would be classified as capital expenses.

Trustee Hopper asked why carpet and furniture purchases for the Library are included in the Plan. Supervisor Walls responded those were the only items the Library submitted.

Trustee Vallad stated this process is quite different than what was previously done and he prefers the process used in the past. He thinks by having a generalized wish list, instead of a prioritized list, that too many projects may be tackled at one time and no headway will be made on any of them. He cited the Dixie Highway project as a project broken down into smaller projects, which enabled the Township to achieve funding for the project.

Supervisor Walls stated the point of the Plan is to break projects down. He recommended breaking the list down further than what Carlisle/Wortman Associates prepared.

Clerk Strole stated she would like to focus on opening up the north area of the Shiawassee Basin. She stated the bulk of the Shiawassee Basin was acquired in 1986 and the south side has been made accessible, while most of the north side has not. She thinks an effort needs to be made to focus on access to the north area. She stated there is nothing but a gate across the drive where the new park entrance is to be and very few people know about that access. She thinks there needs to be coordination in getting things done; to have the entrance, which leads to a mile long drive, accessible to residents. Signage needs to be installed indicating the area is accessible to the public. Trail connections are needed from the new park entrance. She also thinks along the mile long drive, benches and interpretive signs should be placed.

Supervisor Walls stated some items would not be considered capital improvements and suggested expanding the definition of capital improvements above and beyond an Auditor's definition so the totality of a project can be looked at, rather than the pieces. Clerk Strole suggested it might also help if grant opportunities come up, to have the Capital Improvement Plan to point to.

Supervisor Walls suggested adding a paragraph indicating any projects in the five year plan that have the opportunity for grant funds, are moved up the priority list. He stated most of the items Clerk Strole brought up are probably eligible for a grant from the Michigan Land Trust Fund.

Treasurer Dubre thinks the carpet and furniture replacement at the Library should be removed from the Plan; the carpet would be a building expense and the Library Board would make the

decision on replacing furniture. Trustee Lamont stated these items do not fit the Planning consultant's definition of 'Capital Improvement'.

Treasurer Dubre thinks the turn out gear extractor and hose washer for the Fire Department are budget items and do not need to be part of the plan.

Supervisor Walls thinks priorities should be established in two year time frames. He thinks Fire Station #1 should be added to the list to determine if it's feasible to add onto it, and if not, Station #3 would not be the next priority, a new Station #1 would be. He does not see Fire Station #3 being feasible any time in the next five to six years and stated it is difficult to prioritize projects when there is no money to fund them.

Supervisor Walls stated now is a good time to look at implementing the realignment of Big Lake Road. He stated a right-of-way may need to be purchased and the property value could increase in the future. Assuming there is participation from other agencies, he thinks this project would be an excellent use of Tri-party, or existing, road funds. Since funding is already available, the project would be priority. He thinks the same holds true for the Dixie Highway boulevard plan.

Mike Trout, Supervisor Elect, stated he is not happy with the way this Plan was presented and thinks it could have been presented in a clearer fashion. He asked if the Board has ideas or changes, does the Plan go back to the Planning Commission. Supervisor Walls responded the Planning Commission made comments on the plan and submitted it to the Township Board.

4. Dixie Hwy Boulevard Concept

Supervisor Walls stated the concept relates to the Capital Improvement Plan and is a top priority of both the Planning Commission and Township Board. He stated this is a very preliminary concept and is for the purpose of continuing a discussion about a boulevard design that took a concept developed by the applicants and traffic engineer for the Redico project and also used a boulevard concept prepared by Calvin Bordine and put them together with American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) standards.

Supervisor Walls stated the difficulty in the concept is that there is no development in the area now so exact placement of streetlights and signals will depend on future development. The goal of the concept is, except where a traffic signal is placed and perpendicular major drives on either side of Dixie Highway, that it would control movements, from a safety stand point, with Michigan left hand turns. The other goal was to see if it is possible to have a boulevard within the area set aside for the center left turn lane, with the area being landscaped.

Trustee Hopper stated Rochester Hills constructed a boulevard on Crooks Road between M-59 and Auburn Road that is similar to the Dixie Highway concept. He stated it was difficult to complete a turnaround in his truck, but that the concept is doable, and the Rochester Hills project is worth taking a look at as it provides an idea of what can be done on Dixie Highway.

5. Amendments to Zoning Ordinance No. 26:

a) *First Reading: Articles II, XIV, XVI, XVIII and XIX*

Supervisor Walls stated the amendments establish more flexible signage provisions for areas defined as business centers and also adds a definition of 'Temporary Dwelling'. It also cleans up language regarding permits and reviews required by the Building Department that references positions that no longer exist. A provision has been added that allows Outdoor Café Service. Provisions are also being added that address minor setback deviations, on preexisting nonconforming lots, which do not have to go to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Provisions have also been added addressing conversion of apartments, or other types of commercial office structures, into condominiums. Provisions regarding the powers, duties, and jurisdiction of the Planning Commission that came about as a result of the new planning act have been added.

Supervisor Walls stated these amendments have been reviewed by the Planning Commission, and were recommended for approval.

- * **Supervisor Walls moved to authorize the Clerk to publish for Second Reading proposed amendments to Article II, XIV, XVI, XVIII and XIX. Trustee Lamont supported the motion. Vote on the motion: Yes: Cooper, Dubre, Hopper, Lamont, Strole, Vallad and Walls; No: None; Absent: None. The motion carried by 7 to 0 vote.**

b) *First Reading Article XV, XII, XIII*

6. *First Reading: Mining Control Ordinance*

Supervisor Walls stated this amendment is a revision done in two parts. Based on the request of Attorney Need, the ordinance is split into two sections. One is zoning ordinance provisions, the other is a general police power ordinance dealing with extractive, which is more flexible and easier to administer. It also gives the Township the ability, for the first time, to deal with preexisting, non-conforming mining operations.

Supervisor Walls stated Attorney Need suggested, which is included in the amendment, maintaining the current extractive zoning district and to add extractive operations as Special Land Uses in Industrial zoning areas.

Trustee Hopper stated the amendments include changes to Articles XII and XIII but they weren't included on the agenda and asked if that would be a problem. Attorney Need responded no since notice was published, the agenda can be corrected to reflect what the Board is considering.

- * **Supervisor Walls moved to authorize the Clerk to publish for Second Reading proposed amendments to Article XV, XII, XIII, and the proposed General Mining Control Ordinance. Trustee Vallad supported the motion. Vote on the motion: Yes: Cooper, Dubre, Hopper, Lamont, Strole, Vallad and Walls; No: None; Absent: None. The motion carried by 7 to 0 vote.**

7. Employee medical insurance

Supervisor Walls stated employees who required family coverage were entitled to that coverage through the Township's policy, but the employee paid the difference in cost between two-person and family coverage. In 2007 employees began to contribute toward the cost of medical insurance. Last year, the percentage of contribution was slightly increased. The 2009 rates for Blue Cross have been received and what is in the packet tonight is his recommendation which attempts to have the contribution for both the one and two person premium to be the same percentage.

* **Supervisor Walls moved to set the monthly employee health insurance deductions at \$40.00 for one-person coverage and \$90.00 for two-person coverage. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion. Vote on the motion: Yes: Cooper, Dubre, Hopper, Lamont, Strole, Vallad and Walls; No: None; Absent: None. The motion carried by 7 to 0 vote.**

Public Comment:

Trustee Cooper stated he appreciated working with the Board and the community and congratulated the newly elected Board members.

Clerk Strole stated it has been an honor to serve Springfield Township for the last twenty years and reflected on her tenure of Township Clerk. She encouraged the incoming Board not to lose sight of their vision and keep moving forward to achieve that vision.

Supervisor Walls thanked the residents of Springfield Township for the privilege and honor to serve them during his tenure as Township Supervisor. He hopes the incoming Board will have residents that attend meetings regularly and provide feedback to the Board. He is encouraged that the newly elected Board members know how important a natural community is, and how important it is to respect, preserve and appreciate the natural environment while accommodating reasonable development and growth.

Adjournment:

Hearing no other business, Supervisor Walls adjourned the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Collin W. Walls, Township Supervisor

Nancy Strole, Township Clerk

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:**GENERAL FUND**

Spring Mountain Water Co.	\$ 47.50
Unicare	170.82
Michigan Riparian	10.00
Vicki Sievers	39.78
The Impressive Type	98.00
Springfield Township Parks & Rec.	281.20
Jamie Dubre	557.68
Resource Data Systems Corporation (2)	1,151.95
BS&A Software	1,005.00
Laura Moreau	297.23
Genesee Valley Vault, Inc.	520.00
All N One Lawn Care	520.00
Road Commission for Oakland County	165.43
Holly Area Youth Assistance	1,950.00
Mike Forst	1,561.49
Quill (2)	228.27
Pontem Software by RIA	718.00
Waterland Office Machines	65.00
Business & Legal Reports	330.93
Designs by Nature	3,830.75
Nancy Strole	123.34
Mat Rental Service	50.50
Security Central, Inc.	90.00
Smith's Disposal	65.00
Michigan Dept. of Environmental Quality	106.57
Eastman Fire Protection, Inc.	289.28
Nextel Communications	67.07
Michigan Township Association	<u>239.00</u>

TOTAL**\$ 14,579.79****Additional Disbursements:**

A&C Builders Hardware	\$ 261.00
Absolute Building Maintenance	2,735.00
Adkison, Need & Allen, PLLC	3,328.08
American Speedy Printing Center	88.40
American United Life	15.85

Carlisle/Wortman Associates (8)	4,427.50
Consumers Energy	850.08
DTE Energy (2)	1,171.58
DTE Energy Street Lighting	1,816.08
ESRI	1,300.00
Grant Ward	20.00
Hart Pavement Striping Corp.	7,322.25
Hubbell, Roth & Clark (3)	4,064.50
Karen Binasio	28.08
Oakland County Treasurers Office	6,832.35
Office Depot	278.98
Paetec	892.36
Quill (2)	244.41
Road Commission for Oakland County (3)	600.26
Sherman Publications, Inc. (4)	1,852.00
Smith's Disposal	65.00
Spring Mountain Water Co.	29.75
Springfield Twp Parks & Rec.	45,000.00
League Employee Benefit Service	8,800.89
Unicare	170.82
UNUM	<u>212.85</u>
TOTAL	\$ 92,408.07
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 106,987.86</u>

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

FIRE FUND

Unicare	\$ 49.14
Marlan Hillman	205.81
All N one Lawn Care	110.00
Allen & Hope Process Serving	71.16
Comcast	45.95
DTE Energy (3)	468.79
52 nd District Court 2 nd Division	195.00
Halt Fire	98.74
Kerton Lumber	16.48
Michigan Water Conditioning	22.50
W. Joe Miller (2)	809.79

Quad County Fire Equipment	366.00
School Outfitters	25.81
Roland J. Segal (2)	80.00
Suburban Office & Janitorial	62.51
Technology Solutions, LLC	750.00
Oxford Overhead Door	1,299.72
Matt Strickland	419.44
Nextel Communications	293.71
Mechanical Comfort, Inc. (2)	<u>925.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 6,315.55

Additional Disbursements:

Comcast	\$ 79.15
DTE Energy (2)	441.17
P&W Paging & Wireless	427.50
Road Commission for Oakland County	892.37
League Employee Benefit Services	557.68
Unicare	49.14
UNUM	<u>80.80</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,527.81
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 8,843.36</u>

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

POLICE FUND

Nextel Communications	<u>\$ 86.88</u>
TOTAL	\$ 86.88

Additional Disbursements:

None	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 0.00
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 86.88</u>

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

CABLE TV FUND

None	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 0.00

Additional Disbursements:

None	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 0.00
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

None

TOTAL**Additional Disbursements:**

Petty Cash

TOTAL**GRAND TOTAL****CIVIC CENTER DEBT
FUND**\$ 0.00**\$ 0.00**\$ 40.00**\$ 40.00****\$ 40.00****BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:**

Ron Shelton

\$ 810.88

Tim Koerber

441.03

Charles B. Warner

952.25

Nextel Communications

24.02**TOTAL****\$ 2,228.18****Additional Disbursements:**

Carlisle/Wortman Associates

\$ 5430.50**TOTAL****\$ 5,430.50****GRAND TOTAL****\$ 7,658.68****BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:****LAKE IMPROVEMENT
FUND***Waumegah Lake*

Oakland County

\$ 360.42**TOTAL****\$ 360.42****Additional Disbursements:***Waumegah Lake*

Goose Buster

\$ 170.00

DTE Energy

138.54**TOTAL****\$ 308.54****GRAND TOTAL****\$ 668.96**

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:		SOFTWATER LAKE FUND
None		<u>\$ 0.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 0.00
Additional Disbursements:		
None		<u>\$ 0.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 0.00
	<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
 <u>GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS</u>		 <u>\$ 124,285.74</u>