

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
February 14, 2008
SYNOPSIS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Approved Minutes: January 10, 2008 Regular Meeting with bills and additional disbursements of \$293,964.01
- b) Accepted January 2008 Treasurer's Report
- c) Received January 2008 Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical and Fire
- d) Authorized payment of bills as presented, total \$29,866.78
- e) Authorized Supervisor to extend 2007 Softwater Lake Chemical Treatment contract with Professional Lake Management to Cover 2008 and 2009
- f) Rescinded previous decision to transfer portion of Site Plan Review and Construction Inspection Escrow fees to Building Department Fund
- g) Approved 2008 Budget Amendments contained in Supervisor's 1-24-08 Memo
- h) Awarded contract for Phase II of Master Plan Update to low bidder Carlisle/Wortman Assoc.
- i) Adopted resolution supporting City of Warren, City of Dearborn and Meridian Township in their local efforts to stop Comcast from moving PEG channels to 900 level of digital TV and encouraging legislative action to address issue
- j) Received communications and placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Township Lake Board Representative: Appointed Craig Hawes to Dixie Lake Board and Dale Ermsler to Big Lake Board
- 2. Harbortowne Street Paving: Approved 7.5% Township contribution
- 3. Allocated 2008 Tri-Party Funds to Tindall Road approach paving
- 4. Tabled discussion of Part Time Board Positions

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Fire Station #2: Approved budgets and funding for: Training Room Equipment, Signage, Window Treatments, Upper Storage Room Floor carpet, Kitchenette and stove, Ceiling fans – Apparatus Room, Water sealing block and Air Compressor Lines
- 2. Supported abandonment of south portion of Bridge Lake Road
- 3. First Reading, Group Insurance Plan Ordinance: Authorized Second Reading
- 4. First Reading, Ordinance #16 Amendment: Authorized Second Reading
- 5. Authorized hiring Ordinance Officer
- 6. Amended Retiree Medical Policy
- 7. Declined MTA Oakland County Chapter Membership
- 8. Meeting Room: Authorized purchase of Video and Audio Equipment and reviewed possible cablecasting upgrades

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNED: 9:35 p.m.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk

Call to Order: Supervisor Collin Walls called the February 14, 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
Marc Cooper	Township Trustee

Board Members Not Present

Roger Lamont	Township Trustee
Dennis Vallad	Township Trustee

Others Present

Greg Need	Township Attorney
Charlie Oaks	Fire Chief

Agenda Additions & Changes: **None**

Public Comment: **None**

Consent Agenda:

* **Trustee Hopper moved to approve the Consent Agenda as published. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

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Receipt of Communications

- Email from Carla Spradin, from Oakland County, regarding a 4% decrease of CDBG Funds
- Letter from Oakland County Parks regarding the Mobile Recreation CAP Program
- Letter from Township Auditors regarding Engagement Letter

Public Hearing: None

Old Business:

1. Lake Board Representatives – Dixie Lake and Big Lake

Supervisor Walls explained that this is a continuation of discussion from last month's meeting. The Board had left open the second Lake Board Representatives for Dixie Lake and Big Lake. Both of these terms will expire in 2010. A memo was given to the Board regarding Craig Hawes, who currently serves as the Riparian Representative to the Dixie Lake Board and has served for several months. Hawes is willing to serve as the second Representative for Dixie Lake. Regarding Big Lake, Supervisor Walls said he did finally hear from Dale Ermshler and he would like to continue. Letters were also received from Brian Quigley and Antony Darros expressing interest in serving for Big Lake.

- * **Treasurer Dubre moved to appoint Craig Hawes to Dixie Lake for a term lasting until October 2010 and Dale Ermshler to Big Lake for the same term. Clerk Strole supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

2. Harbortowne Street Paving Contribution

Supervisor Walls said that this item had previously been on the October 2007 agenda. The estimated cost was \$232,000, but no bidding had been done yet. The Road Commission has now verified the petitions and is moving forward with the project.

Clerk Strole said the minutes from October 11, 2007 indicated that as soon as the Township had evidence of the petitions being filed and accepted, the Board could consider a contribution. The contribution discussed was 7 ½ %. However the memo from Trustee Vallad (presented as a Communication at the January 10, 2008 meeting), was asking for 10%. In checking on contributions made by the Township to other projects, 7 ½% seemed to be the consistent amount.

Supervisor Walls also recalled the same information as Clerk Strole.

- * Clerk Strole moved to commit to contribute seven and one-half percent (7-1/2%) to the cost of paving Harbortowne Subdivision roads. Trustee Hopper supported the motion.**

Supervisor Walls commented that 7 1/2% would be about \$17,400 and it would come out of a budgeted road matching line item that we have in our 2008 budget.

Clerk Strole agreed.

- * Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

3. 2008 Tri-Party Allocation

Supervisor Walls said that the project to pave the shoulders (along Davisburg Road, from Davisburg hamlet to Dixie Hwy.), that the Board voted on at the January 10, 2008 meeting was denied by the Road Commission. The Road Commission does not want to pave the shoulders along a road where the pavement's surface is marginal.

Supervisor Walls met with the Superintendent of the Davisburg garage and the list of projects they consider to be a priority are:

- pave approach of Tindall Road at Broadway, but extend north past Hickey to top of hill
- pave approach of Hall Rd. at Andersonville Road, but extend south to top of the hill
- Rattalee Lake and Tindall, extend the paving that is currently on Rattalee at I-75 westerly past Tindall and adding an approach to Tindall
- pave approach of Crosby Lake Road at Andersonville Road

Walls said that at this time we don't know the cost of any of these projects but would assume that Tindall at Broadway would use up all of our 2008 Tri-Party allocation and maybe some of 2007 allocation.

Clerk Strole asked about extending to the hill on Tindall. Did Walls mean as far as the Mammen's house? Supervisor Walls said, no, not as far as that hill, but somewhere just past where Hickey comes into Tindall. Clerk Strole asked how far could we go on Tindall. She would like to see us go as far as we can. Walls said the current approach is about 75 feet, so then it would probably be about three times that distance. Measured from the edge of Broadway north to just past Hickey is about 200 to 225 feet. Walls also suggested that we also address the ditching and drainage issues.

- * Supervisor Walls moved to allocate 2008 Tri-Party funds and any portion of 2007 funds necessary to pave the Tindall Road approach to Broadway**

with the understanding that it will include ditching and drainage improvements and extend to Hickey or the top of the hill near Hickey in order to address the safety issue at that intersection. Clerk Strole supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.

Supervisor Walls requested to deal with the graveling. The \$80,000 budgeted for gravel would allow the Township to address what the Road Commission feels are the two top priority roads based on traffic and maintenance with 21AA. The Road Commission is requesting:

- Rattalee Lake Rd. east of Dixie
- Bridge Lake Road north of Rattalee Lake Rd.

The Road Commission also suggested 23A on Parker, Knox and Edgar. Further discussion was held regarding Parker, Knox and Edgar.

- * **Clerk Strole moved to gravel Rattalee Lake east of Dixie and Bridge Lake north of Rattalee Lake and to use any of the remaining funds on Knox.**
- * **Clerk Strole amended her motion to apply 21AA gravel to Rattalee Lake east of Dixie and Bridge Lake north of Rattalee Lake Road and any of the remaining funds to, in descending order, Knox, Parker and Edgar with 23A. Trustee Hopper supported the motion.**
- * **Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

4. Discussion of Part Time Board Positions

Supervisor Walls reviewed briefly the discussion from last month's meeting. It is Walls' opinion that the emphasis should be on the discussion of the potential of a manager position rather than concentrating on whether one, two or all three elected positions would automatically be part-time. Supervisor Walls explained that Denny Vallad provided some information from the Charter Township Act. Walls presumed that the Board members have spent time gathering their own information and thinking it over, so he would like to open it up for general discussion and comments from the Board.

Clerk Strole said she thinks this item should be tabled, but before she makes a motion would like to explain why, as there is no discussion on a tabling motion, assuming there would be support.

Clerk Strole explained that the two people who are leading this effort are not here tonight, though it through no fault of their own. Trustees Vallad and Lamont are not here to answer questions or make clarifications. Secondly, it is important that they hear or listen to any

information that the rest of the Board would bring to the table. At the January meeting Trustees Vallad and Lamont indicated they would be meeting with the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer to gain insight into these positions. Clerk Strole said that, at this time, there has been zero contact from anyone. If this discussion continues tonight, everything will need to be repeated at a future meeting when Trustees Vallad and Lamont are present.

- * **Clerk Strole moved to table this item either until the next regularly scheduled meeting or a Special Board meeting could be held in which all members could be present, and she would encourage the Trustees who are leading this effort in the interim to initiate contact with the officials to learn as much as they can about what might be achievable and not achievable in making transitions for these positions. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Strole, Dubre and Hopper; No: Walls and Cooper; Motion carried by a 3 to 2 vote.**

New Business:

1. Fire Station #2, Changes and Purchases

Regarding the building expansion of Fire Station #2, Supervisor Walls said he made a comparison between what is currently budgeted and to the estimated project cost. The computers and electronic equipment, which is no surprise, are considerably more than the original budgeted amount. But even with the items which will be discussed tonight, this project will still come in under budget.

- a) Training Room Equipment

Supervisor Walls said there was a request to increase the budget from \$8,000 to \$8,300 to allow the Fire Department to explore a wide-angle projector, which was not part of the original bid. Supervisor Walls asked Chief Oaks if ROSCOR is still the low bidder. And aside from the wide-angle projector, do they have everything they need for the training room?

Chief Oaks said yes.

- * **Trustee Hopper moved to authorize the awarding of the contract to ROSCOR in the amount not to exceed \$8300 for the training room and audio/visual equipment as discussed this evening. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

- b) Signage

Supervisor Walls went over the three (3) sign renderings. The first is building signage with acrylic lettering that matches the color of the trim on the building. The second is the aluminum

lettering, the centers of the letters would be bright red, and the edges would be beige to match the trim. The third sign was not something requested, but something the sign company thought we might want to consider. It would be a sign to assist people and direct them to the office location.

Clerk Strole said she liked the building sign with the trim that matches the building. She thinks a directional sign would be good, or to have something that indicates where the public entrance is.

Trustee Cooper doesn't think the sign on the building needs to be large. He thinks it would be aesthetically pleasing to have the sign on the building be smaller.

Supervisor Walls asked what size are the letters? Trustee Cooper said one foot, eight inches tall, which is double the size of what was on there. Cooper thinks the sign on the building should be smaller, and then to have one out by the road would be good.

Trustee Hopper said he didn't think a ground sign with changeable letters is needed. The Chief doesn't need one more thing to do and it probably wouldn't get changed often anyway. As far as the directional sign, Hopper feels that is a must. This building will be utilized for elections, general public and other types of meeting.

- * **Supervisor Walls moved, on the balance of the issues that were discussed this evening, the Board establish budgets and ask Mark Yovich to administer those projects as an addition to their contract for a fee as previously agreed which is 10% of the cost. Trustee Hopper supported the motion.**

Supervisor Walls asked Chief Oaks if he had a problem with handling it like this. Chief Oaks indicated it was okay.

Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.

Regarding signage, Supervisor Walls requested further clarification that it will be acrylic lettering for the building sign and will match the trim on the building. All Board members responded yes.

***Trustee Cooper moved to budget up to \$4000 for the sign on the building and the directional sign. Supervisor Walls supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

c) Window Treatments

- * **Supervisor Walls moved to establish a budget of \$3000 for window treatments in the training room and meeting room. Trustee Hopper supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

d) Upper Storage Room Floor Carpet

- * **Trustee Hopper moved to establish a budget of \$3500 for storage room carpeting. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

e) Kitchenette and stove – Training Room

Board members, Chief Oaks and Ms. Colloto discussed locating the kitchenette in the training room or in the existing office area. The estimated cost to locate it in the office area is \$2,000, and \$4900 to locate it in the training room. Chief Oaks and Ms. Colloto recommended locating the kitchenette in the training room.

Clerk Strole asked whether primary users of the kitchen facilities would be staff and full-time firefighters, or whether it would be primarily used in conjunction with firefighters' meetings? Ms. Colloto explained that the kitchenette will be used for Emergency Incident Relief, which refers to the group of spouses who provide food and other support services to firefighters when there are major incidents. She said that the EIR spouses also prepare and provide food and refreshments for department picnics and other special events. They need more space for food preparation than would be available in the smaller office area, which tends to get congested. She said that's why she recommends locating the equipment in the training room, even though the EIR spouses may have to transport the food and refreshments to the bays, where the firefighters congregate.

Clerk Strole agreed that, based on the use described by Ms. Colloto, it would be cumbersome to try to prepare food in the smaller office area.

- * **Trustee Hopper moved to establish a budget of \$4900 to install cabinetry, sink and hood with a type II duct system for a kitchenette in the training room. Clerk Strole supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: Walls; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 4 to 1 vote.**

f) Ceiling fans – Apparatus Room

- * **Supervisor Walls moved to establish a budget of \$1800 for three (3) ceiling fans in the apparatus bay. Trustee Hopper supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

g) Water seal block

- * **Trustee Hopper moved to establish a budget of \$2000 to water seal the split-faced block at Station #2. Clerk Strole supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

h) Air Compressor Line

- * **Supervisor Walls moved to establish a budget of up to \$4300 for the air lines in the apparatus bay. Trustee Hopper supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

2. Abandonment of a portion of Bridge Lake Road

Supervisor Walls explained that there is a petition before the Road Commission to abandon the portion of Bridge Lake Rd. beginning south of the entrance to the Bridge Lake Bluffs residential development to where the road dead ends at Bridge Lake. This section of road is not maintained by the Road Commission. Walls said that problems related to this section of road go back many decades. He suggested to the Board that the Township send a letter to the Road Commission indicating that if they will not act to abandon this road section, then at least put it in a safe and usable condition.

Clerk Strole agreed that the road section has been an ongoing problem, is a mess and a liability, and that the long-term solution is abandonment.

- * **Clerk Strole moved to authorize the Supervisor to submit a letter to the Road Commission (and any other appropriate individuals) strongly supporting and recommending the petitioned abandonment of Bridge Lake Road down to the lake. Trustee Hopper supported the motion.**

Clerk Strole noted that because Bridge Lake Bluffs was developed as a plat, its residents may need to take additional legal steps if the Road Commission does move forward with abandonment of that road section.

Tom Weiler, 9171 Hillcrest, told Board members about previous efforts to get the Road Commission to abandon this section of Bridge Lake Rd., which he confirmed creates nuisance problems. He also suggested that abandonment proceedings be initiated on the other side of the

lake. Supervisor Walls said he would provide petition forms to the residents but suggested they first might want to wait and see what action the Road Commission takes on this road section before initiating abandonment proceedings on the other side of the lake.

- * **Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

3. First Reading: Group Insurance Plan Ordinance

Supervisor Walls said that our Township attorneys informed him that state law requires that the Township have a group insurance ordinance. He said that, since neither the Park Commission nor the Library Board can adopt ordinances, our attorneys attempted to draft a generic ordinance which allows for variations by the three separate bodies regarding benefits.

Trustee Hopper noted a typographical error. On page 3, Section 8, the Savings Clause should refer to Section 7 of the ordinance, not Section 37.

- * **Clerk Strole moved to authorize the Clerk to publish for Second Reading the proposed Group Insurance Plan Ordinance as presented this evening with the correction of the typographical error noted by Trustee Hopper. Supervisor Walls supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

4. First Reading: Ordinance #16 Amendment

Supervisor Walls said that the proposed amendment to Ordinance 16 is an attempt to address general nuisance blight situations which may be a nuisance to a neighborhood and detriment to property values but technically are not violations of our junk ordinance as currently written. He said that our township attorneys have drafted language which attempts to address general nuisance issues, without being so generic that its interpretation is left totally up to the discretion of the person doing the enforcement.

- * **Supervisor Walls moved to authorize the Clerk to publish the amendments to Ordinance #16 for a Second Reading, version as reviewed and suggested by Attorney Greg Need. Trustee Cooper supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

5. Ordinance Officer Appointment

Supervisor Walls stated that, since the Building Department Director left, he has been acting as our Ordinance Enforcement Officer. Due to other job responsibilities, however, he has not been doing a very good job. Walls noted that while the Board included funds for the Ordinance Officer position in the 2008 budget, it did authorize filling the position. He's asking that the

Board authorize him to hire an ordinance enforcement officer at \$16/hour, working approximately 10 to 12 hours a week. The officer would use a Township vehicle to conduct the work.

- * Clerk Strole moved to authorize the Supervisor to hire an Ordinance Officer at the rate of \$16 per hour with an estimated workload of somewhere around 10-12 hours per week, but that's simply an estimate. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

6. Retiree Medical Policy Amendment

Supervisor Walls reminded the Board that it previously wanted to establish a retiree medical program. However, Blue Cross Blue Shield wouldn't allow it because the Township didn't yet have anyone who was an eligible retiree. Now we have someone who is retired for medical disability reasons. Walls said that he's asking that the Board, as clarification, put on record that a retiree includes people who meet all the criteria and voluntarily stop working, or people who meet all the required criteria who have to leave for medical disability reasons.

All Board members present agreed that that is the Board's intent and that the minutes should reflect that.

Supervisor Walls also said that the Township's policy needs to be changed to reflect that we no longer provide medical insurance for part time employees. While looking at the policy, he also noticed what he thinks is an unintended quirk in the language. The Township currently offers medical insurance to the surviving spouse of a retired Township employee (so long as the spouse pays for it), but the current policy language does not allow the spouse of an employee who meets the retirement criteria but dies while still working, to continue medical insurance (so long as the surviving spouse pays for it). Clerk Strole clarified that, to be consistent with the Board's intent regarding this provision, the language suggested by Walls in item 3 of his memo should be an addition to rather than a substitute for the existing language. Supervisor Walls concurred.

- * Clerk Strole moved to amend the Retiree Medical Policy per the recommendations made by the Township Supervisor in his Memo dated February 6, 2008.**

Supervisor Walls supported the motion on the condition that Clerk Strole help him make sure we get the language correct. Clerk Strole agreed to the conditional support.

Treasurer Dubre asked whether Attorney Need would check the amended policy language after it was drafted by Supervisor Walls and Clerk Strole. Walls said he would be happy to have Attorney Need recheck the language.

Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.

7. Membership: MTA Oakland County Chapter

Clerk Strole explained that the Township received a membership renewal invoice from the Oakland County Chapter of the Michigan Townships Association, which is why it's on the agenda, even though the Township has not participated in the chapter for the past several years.

- * Supervisor Walls moved to not pay the dues. Trustee Hopper supported the motion. Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.**

8. Meeting Room: Video and Audio Equipment

Supervisor Walls referenced the memo the Board received from Mike Forst, the Civic Center Building Manager, assessing the capabilities of current audio-visual equipment in the meeting room and providing information and cost estimates on necessary or potential upgrades, which include audience mike improvements and installation of a new monitor.

- * Trustee Cooper moved to budget up to \$3000 for repair and replacement of the audio visual equipment in the meeting room. Treasurer Dubre supported the motion.**

Supervisor Walls asked whether Trustee Cooper's motion and Treasurer Dubre's support implies that the Board authorizes Mike Forst to work with ROSCOR to get the purchase and installation of the equipment done. Cooper and Dubre said yes.

Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.

Board members then discussed Mike Forst's memo regarding the feasibility of cablecasting meetings using the existing equipment. Forst summarized his analysis.

- * Trustee Cooper moved for someone in the Township to get ROSCOR to give a quote on what it would cost to upgrade or replace the equipment to be able to broadcast Township meetings. Clerk Strole supported the motion.**

Supervisor Walls asked Trustee Cooper who was going to gather the information necessary to request a quote. Trustee Cooper said he didn't know; it would have to be someone who has the time.

Susan Weaver, the Township's cable channel coordinator, said that the current system is a security camera system and that ROSCOR has offered on several occasions to provide a quote on upgrading the cameras. Clerk Strole asked Ms. Weaver whether, if paid at her current hourly rate, she would be willing to coordinate with ROSCOR to develop the information necessary to obtain a quote. Ms. Weaver said yes.

- * Trustee Cooper amended his motion to authorize Susan Weaver to work with ROSCOR to obtain prices and programs for upgrading or obtaining new equipment to accommodate cable casting of Township meetings. Clerk Strole supported the amended motion.**

Janet Demonaco, 6813 Deerhill Drive, Clarkston, asked whether any Board members have watched the cablecast of the Independence Township Board meetings. She said that while they're not high quality, they provide information. Ms. Demonaco also noted procedural changes that could be made so that viewers could more easily identify who is speaking. She suggested that the Township do a test taping using existing equipment and then compare that to the quality of Independence Township's cablecasts. She said that while it's not a great show, it provides information and enables her to sit at home and watch the reruns as opposed to attending every meeting. Clerk Strole suggested, that since Susan Weaver is already doing cable work for the Township, when her time and schedule allows, she consider doing a short test taping of a Township meeting to show the Board what the existing equipment would do and what an actual taping would look like.

Vote on the motion. Yes: Walls, Strole, Dubre, Hopper and Cooper; No: None; Absent: Lamont and Vallad. The motion carried by a 5 to 0 vote.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Hearing no other business, Supervisor Walls adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Collin W. Walls, Township Supervisor

Nancy Strole, Township Clerk



Charter Township of Springfield

Res.2008-02

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RESOLUTION OPPOSING COMCAST RELOCATION OF PEG CHANNELS

WHEREAS, Comcast has determined to move Public Education and Government (PEG) channels from their current location on basic cable to the 900 tier on the digital system; and

WHEREAS, that change would mean that access to PEG channels currently available to all Comcast subscribers would not be available without a digital TV or a digital converter box; and

WHEREAS, the new proposed location of PEG channels will make them inconvenient to find, resulting in a reduction in viewership; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warren received a Temporary Restraining Order from Macomb County Circuit Court, and Meridian Charter Township and the City of Dearborn received a Temporary Restraining Order from the U.S. District Court, both of which prevent Comcast from moving PEG channels at this time.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that Springfield Township hereby thanks and supports the cities of Warren and Dearborn and Meridian Township for their actions; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED: that the Michigan Townships Association be encouraged to financially support this legal battle, as it has state-wide significance; and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED: that Springfield Township encourages State Rep. John Stakoe and State Senator Deborah Cherry to propose and support legislation to prohibit such relocation of PEG channels.

Certification

I, Nancy Strole, duly elected Clerk of the Charter Township of Springfield, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Springfield Township Board of Trustees at a Regular Meeting held on February 14, 2008.



Nancy Strole, Clerk

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:**GENERAL FUND**

Jamie Dubre	\$ 557.68
Quill	150.90
Oakland County Treasurer	244.60
National Pen	64.26
No Limits Landscaping	2,965.00
Oakland County Clerk's Assoc.	25.00
Impressive Type LLC	353.00
U.S. Postage Service	1,500.00
Consumers Energy	2,755.29
Mat Rental Service	50.50
Micropure Water Service, Inc.	132.50
Mike Forst	1,525.00
Smith's Disposal	<u>65.00</u>

TOTAL**\$ 10,388.73****Additional Disbursements:**

McLeod USA	\$ 817.56
Sherman Publications, Inc.	206.60
DTE Energy – Street Lighting	1,759.92
MiCTA	100.00
Spring Mountain Water Co.	27.50
Clarkston Paper	95.25
Smith's Disposal	65.00
Lighting Supply Co.	106.50
Security Central, Inc.	90.00
Resource Data Systems Corp. (2)	520.88
Waterland Office Machines	2,100.00
Adkison, Need & Allen, PLLC	2,963.16
Quill (3)	420.10
Carlisle/Wortman Assoc. (3)	2,762.50
Nextel Communications	24.61
Online Stores, Inc.	117.90
Unicare	193.44
Road Commission for Oakland County	56.26
UNUM	286.92
Michigan Municipal League	8,800.89
General Fund	1,257.27

American United Life Insurance Co.	13.47
Absolute Building Maintenance	2,735.00
DTE Energy	40.16
Roscor	472.50
Petty Cash	32.27
TOTAL	\$ 26,065.66
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 36,454.39</u>

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

FIRE FUND

Oakland County Treasurer	\$ 219.30
Resource Data Systems	212.00
No Limits Landscaping	690.00
Marlan Hillman	205.81
Suburban Office & Janitorial	70.25
Huron Valley Fire Protection, Inc.	496.00
Anytime Products	677.53
Business Micro Resource Corp.	300.00
Cavalier	262.59
Clarkston Paper (2)	301.49
Comcast	45.95
Consumers Energy (3)	1,642.55
Douglass Safety Systems LLC (2)	585.31
DTE Energy (2)	658.39
State of Michigan	150.00
Petty Cash	21.89
52 nd District Court (2)	370.00
Kerton Lumber	165.26
Michigan State Fireman's Assoc.	75.00
Mazza Auto Parts	370.53
Michigan Water Conditioning	22.50
North Oakland Mutual Aid Assoc.	3,000.00
Office Products Outlet	2,969.00
Payette & Associates, Inc.	224.49
P&W	76.75
John L. Murphy	54.00
Rocky's	86.32

Time Emergency (2)	68.36
Trace Analytics, Inc. (2)	231.00
United Vacuum	300.00
Huron Valley Fire Protection	496.00
Home Depot	13.98
McKay Hardware	8.00
Matt Strickland	<u>217.55</u>
TOTAL	\$ 15,287.80

Additional Disbursements:

Oakland County Sheriff's Dept.	1,452.00
Nextel Communications	106.85
Online Stores, Inc.	379.12
Unicare	49.92
Road Commission for Oakland County	1,630.15
Complete Vessel Care – Aerospace, Inc.	56.00
Motorola	78.00
Spring Mountain Water Co.	11.75
Waterland Office Machines	275.00
Mark's Homes, Inc.	14,568.20
DTE Energy	280.08
Consumers Energy	481.36
UNUM	80.80
Michigan Municipal League	<u>557.68</u>
TOTAL	\$ 20,006.91
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 35,294.71</u>

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

Oakland County Treasurer

TOTAL

POLICE FUND

\$ 504.91

\$ 504.91

Additional Disbursements:

Oakland County Sheriff's Dept.

TOTAL

\$ 120,553.40

\$ 120,553.40

GRAND TOTAL

\$ 121,058.31

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

General Fund (4)

TOTAL**GRAND TOTAL****CABLE TV FUND**

\$ 1,110.53

\$ 1,110.53**\$ 1,110.53****BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:**

Oakland County Treasurer

TOTAL**GRAND TOTAL****CIVIC CENTER DEBT
FUND**

\$ 137.78

\$ 137.78**\$ 137.78****BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:**

Ron Shelton

Tim Koerber

Charles B. Warner

Blue Cross/Blue Shield

TOTAL**Additional Disbursements:**

Nextel Communications

Unicare

Code Enforcement Services

Grant Ward Surveyors

TOTAL**GRAND TOTAL****BUILDING DEPT FUND**

\$ 661.38

558.03

806.00

411.62**\$ 2,437.03**

\$ 88.80

19.50

3,500.00

24.00**\$ 3,632.30****\$ 6,069.33****BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:**

NONE

TOTAL**LAKE IMPROVEMENT
FUND**\$ 0.00**\$ 0.00**

Additional Disbursements:

Susin Lake

State of Michigan \$ 800.00

Waumegah Weed

State of Michigan 800.00

Aquest 948.00

Waumegah Legal

Plunkett Cooney 2,116.00

TOTAL \$ 4,664.00

GRAND TOTAL \$ 4,664.00

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

SOFTWATER LAKE FUND

State of Michigan \$ 200.00

TOTAL \$ 200.00

GRAND TOTAL \$ 200.00

GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL FUNDS

\$ 204,989.05