

Portland Township
Ionia County, MI
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The March meeting of the board was held on March 19, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Portland Township Hall. The budget meeting followed at 1:15 p.m.

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

All board members were present.

Trustee Pung motioned to accept the February 2009 meeting minutes seconded by Treasurer Simon and carried.

Treasurer Simon reported no fire runs for February and 6 ambulance runs.

Treasurer Simon motioned to eliminate the personal property collections for taxable values of \$500 or less. A roll call vote was taken; 5-yes and 0-no, carried.

Assessor Thompson covered her monthly report.

Supervisor Tiemann gave the board members a federal poverty income guideline packet to review for the May meeting.

Treasurer Simon motioned for Portland Township to participate in the Portland City Spring Cleanup on April 24th and 25th seconded by Clerk Keilen and carried.

Supervisor Tiemann noted the meeting with the Ionia County Road Commission has been rescheduled to April or May.

Supervisor Tiemann noted the review of Broad stripe's Chapter 11 case by the Townships Legal Counsel determined Broad stripe will be responsible for Township taxes and franchise fees.

A discussion to participate with the City's recycling program will be covered at a future meeting.

Treasurer Simon proposed a yearly newsletter to be placed with resident's tax bills. The board agreed to this project.

Trustee Pung motioned to pay the bills as presented by Clerk Keilen seconded by Trustee Platte and carried.

Trustee Pung motioned to amend the 2008-2009 budget items for Expenditures for Trustee Salary, Miscellaneous, Township Audits, Clerk Salary, Treasurer Telephone, Janitor Service, Liquor Inspections and Fire Service seconded by Trustee Platte and carried.

Trustee Platte motioned to adjourn seconded by Trustee Pung and carried.

The next board meeting is Thursday March 26, 2009 following the annual meeting which starts at 1:00 p.m.

