

Portland Township  
Ionia County, MI  
P.O. Box 314  
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The May meeting of the board was held on May 13, 2009 at the Portland Township Hall at 7: 00 p.m.

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

All board members were present.

Trustee Platte motioned to approve the agenda as amended seconded by Trustee Pung and carried.

Trustee Platte motioned to accept the minutes for the April 2009 board meeting seconded by Trustee Pung and carried.

Treasurer Simon noted 3 fire runs for March and none for April. There were 6 ambulance runs for March and 7 for April. The account balances were given. A reduction in revenue sharing from the state was discussed. The townships replacement auditor and a township newsletter were also reviewed.

Assessor Thompson covered her monthly report.

Supervisor Tiemann discussed his monthly report.

Zoning Administrator Vandersloot read her monthly report.

Trustee Pung motioned to authorize the gravel agreement with the Ionia County Road Commission seconded by Trustee Platte and carried.

Supervisor Tiemann motioned to pass a resolution to allow 2 acres of property to be removed from PA116 owned by Tom/Beth Krausz under the Farmland Preservation Agreement due to a pre-existing building on the property that predates the agreement under the Farmland Developmental Rights Agreement #34-15638-123119. A roll call vote was taken by the board, 5-yes, 0-no, motion carried.

Treasurer Simon motioned to accept Option B for the ambulance contract with the City of Portland seconded by Trustee Platte. A roll call vote was taken by the board, 5-yes, 0-no, carried.

Supervisor Tiemann noted a meeting with the Ionia County Road Commission would be held at the Portland Township hall at 9:00 a.m. on May 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss road issues.

The recycling program with the City has been tabled to the next board meeting.

Legal counsel was advised to attend the Pre-trial concerning the Goodman Property.

The appointment policy has been tabled to the next board meeting.

The poverty income guidelines have been tabled to the next board meeting.

Supervisor Tiemann will research more information concerning the Arts Council Buildings.

Supervisor Tiemann motioned to approve the bills as presented seconded by Trustee Pung and carried.

Jeanne Vandersloot presented the creation of the Townships website. Suggestions for changes and additions will be reviewed by the board and updated in the future.

Legal Counsel will continue to pursue the irrevocable letter of credit with Waste Water Utility on Lyons Road which may be administered in the future by the DEQ.

Trustee Pung motioned to authorize Trustee Platte and Bill Manning to attend the MSU citizen planner training seconded by Supervisor Tiemann and carried.

Trustee Pung motioned to move into executive session seconded by Trustee Platte. A roll call vote was taken, 5-yes, 0-no carried.

Trustee Pung motioned to reconvene and adjourn seconded by Treasurer Simon and carried.

Charlene Keilen  
Portland Township Clerk

The next meeting of the board will be June 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Portland Township Hall.