

Portland Township
Ionia County, MI
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The December meeting of the board was held on December 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Portland Township Hall.

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

All board members were present.

Jane Jonaitis spoke about the nuisance ordinance situation in her neighborhood.

Steve Fabiano was present to introduce himself to the board as a new city council member and noted he would occasionally attend township board meetings.

The Danby township board was present for a special meeting and called their meeting to order.

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

Treasurer Simon noted there were 9 ambulance runs and 2 fire runs for November. She also noted the tax bills were mailed out November 30th and she will be available at the Township Hall on December 11 from 12-5 p.m.

Supervisor Tiemann noted the Board of Review will be meeting on December 15th at 5 p.m. at the Township Hall. Also, new Board of Review members are being selected for new terms. All but 1.15 acres has been finalized on the Goodman property which should be completed soon.

Treasurer Simon motioned to accept Larry Tiejema as the new auditor for Portland Township seconded by Clerk Keilen and carried.

The board will not pursue and dropped the Public Safety Cost Recovery Ordinance topic.

The delinquent fire run service fees will be pursued by the Township Supervisor through small claims court.

Supervisor Tiemann will look into the delinquent personal property tax situations.

Supervisor Tiemann motioned to sign the agreement with the Ionia County Road Commission for brine and gradall work for 2010 seconded by Trustee Platte and carried.

Treasurer Simon motioned to authorize any board member to attend the MTA Conference in Grand Rapids on January 26-29 seconded by Trustee Platte and carried.

Supervisor Tiemann motioned to pay 100.00 for the selected logo for the Township letterhead seconded by Trustee Pung, 4-yes, 1-no, motion carried.

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

Trustee Platte motioned to move to executive session to discuss a written confidential legal opinion with the Township Attorney and to allow the deputy Treasurer to attend seconded by Treasurer Simon. A roll call vote was taken. 5-yes, 0-no motion carried.

Supervisor Tiemann motioned to adjourn from executive session and to return to the regular session seconded by Trustee Pung and carried.

Supervisor Tiemann motioned to draft a letter addressed to the city council concerning a discussion for a Fire Contract.

Treasurer Simon motioned to adjourn at 9:25 pm. Seconded by Supervisor Tiemann and carried.