

OLIVE TOWNSHIP
Synopsis of Minutes
NOVEMBER 18, 2004 – 7:00 p.m.

- 1) Members Present: Supervisor Arlan B. Meekhof; Clerk Beverly Jaarsma; Treasurer Randy Vander Zwaag; Trustees Todd Wolters and Terry Hossink.
- 2) Meekhof called the meeting to order and newly re-elected officers were sworn into office.
- 3) Meekhof offered prayer.
- 4) Approved minutes of Regular Meeting October 21, 2004 by consent.
- 5) Treasurer report: Transfer of \$30,000 to Checking/Balance \$4,333.83 a) The application to revoke the Industrial Facilities Exemption of American Classic Homes completed. b) Winter Tax Bills will be forthcoming November 30, 2004 c) West Olive Estates has paid their Personal Property Tax. d) Doug Brousseau and Randy will ride through the township on Friday to view Personal Properties in Olive Township. e) Drains at Large billing for 2004 is \$7,910.46, which is under budget. This is payable in February.
- 6) No Community Comments
- 7) Fire Committee Report: Russ Hirdes, Fire Chief.
 - A) Officers Meeting was held November 16
 - B) Self Policing of Runs has been working great
 - C) Paul Bell has been hired at Coopersville Fire Station and is doing well.
 - D) John Hoffman is attending a 10 week class for instructors and will be qualified to train others.
 - E) In January Russ will be hosting a class at the Central Station.
 - F) The Grant Application submitted under the FY 04 Assistance to Firefighters Grant was granted to the Olive Fire Rescue. The approved project cost amount to \$45, 463.00. The Federal share is 90 percent or \$40, 017.00 of the approved amount and the township share of the cost is 10 percent or \$4,546.00.
- 8) Congratulations to the Olive Fire Rescue for being approved for the FY 04 Assistance to Firefighters Grant. We express our sincere thanks to Russ Hirdes, Fire Chief for his efforts and talents put forth in writing and therefore, acquiring the grant.
- 9) Renewal of Dog Kennel Special Use of Steve Van Tuinen.
- 8) Fee schedule for Map and Text Amendment to \$375.00.
- 9) Snow Plow Bid of Brian Raak for \$30 per hour for the 136th Avenue office complex, 10) cemeteries, and old Township hall at Polk Street.
- 11) Snow Plow Bid of Peter Boetsma of \$30 per hour for the Central Station.
- 12) Back pay for office staff for 191 hours at \$2.00 per hour.
- 13) Wireless Broadband Resolution of support to Deploy a Coordinated, Countywide Wireless Broadband Network, with Ottawa County Planning Commission.
- 14) Re-appointment of Terry Hossink, Trustee to the Planning Commission.
- 15) Board of Review dates December 13 and 14.
- 16) Office closings for the holidays Thanksgiving November 25 and 26; Christmas December 25; New Years January 1. The office will be open on December 24 and December 31 for tax collections only.
- 17) Olive Township Historical Society met Monday, November 8, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. a) They are looking for any relatives of Levi Fellows. b) An “Old Settlers Picnic” has been set for August 20, 2005 to be held at the G.R.A.C.E. Center of Ottawa Reformed Church. c) Next meeting will be January 10, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Olive Township Hall at 6480 136th Avenue. Those interested are welcome!! Please call 399-6939 to R.S.V.P.
- 18) MTA Christmas Party is December 6, 2004 at the Terra Verde Restaurant in Nunica. Cost is \$20. Reservation must be in by November 26th.
- 19) Approved Bills for payment.
- 20) Approved Minutes for publication by title only.
- 21) Approved Adjournment at 9:15 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,
Beverly Jaarsma, Clerk

