

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

June 9, 2015
STUDY SESSION – 6:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Jim Dunn, Supervisor; Meghan Dobben, Clerk; Doug Hoyt, Treasurer; and Trustees Bob DuBois, Mike Trudell, Todd Emmons and Mike Way.

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REGION 2 PLANNING COMMISSION: No report.

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THE ENTERPRISE GROUP: No report.

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JACTS: Trustee Trudell provided the Board with the May 12, 2015 JACTS report of the Technical Advisory and Policy Committee and gave an update on the Hague Road bridge project.

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MICHIGAN MUTUAL AID BOX ALARM SYSTEM AGREEMENT:

Chief McEldowney spoke to the Board explaining the particulars of the Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System.

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MUNICIPAL WATER USAGE RATE INCREASE:

Scott Bevier spoke to the Board in regard to a possible increase in water and sewer usage rate in the future. Presently, there are no definite numbers but they are discussing a possible \$1 to \$2 rate increase for water usage and a \$1 increase in sewer usage.

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AMERICAN 1 CREDIT UNION CAR SALE:

Clerk Dobben shared information with Board concerning a car sale sponsored by American 1 Credit Union on July 16 through 18.

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PUBLIC COMMENT:

Carl Rice – District 3 County Commissioner
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BOARD MEETING

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting was called to order by the Supervisor, Jim Dunn, on Tuesday, June 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Township Hall.

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PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

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OLD BUSINESS: None.

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NEW BUSINESS:

APPROVAL – CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Hoyt, supported by DuBois, and on roll call vote unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. (Copies of Accounts Payable attached hereto.)

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**APPROVAL – CONDITIONAL USE AND SITE PLAN – 2121 FERGUSON ROAD
VERIZON CELL TOWER – SUMMIT TOWNSHIP, OWNER
BEN VARNEY, PYRAMID NETWORK SERVICES
CASE#15-05-0007**

Public Hearing was held at the request of Ben Varney of Pyramid Network Services, representing NEW PAR of 4700 Hunt Street, Cass City, Michigan 48726. NEW PAR is a Delaware partnership doing business as Verizon Wireless and is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to construct a one hundred fifty (150) foot monopole cell tower to be used for wireless communication. Installation will be along the south side of Ferguson Road and west of South Jackson Road. Additional height of a lightening rod still brings the tower to less than two hundred (200) feet, therefore, the tower will not require lighting. A prefab ten (10) by eleven (11) State of Michigan approved equipment shelter will be installed at the base of the tower as well as a 1000 gallon propane tank and generator. The entire area will be fenced. The monopole cell tower will replace the existing tower and the antennas from the fire station tower will be installed on the new tower. The Planning Commission recommends to the Township Board of Trustees approval of the Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan at 2121 Ferguson Road for a cell tower one hundred fifty (150) feet in height contingent upon compliance with the requirements of the Jackson Department of Transportation, Jackson County Drain Commissioner, Jackson County Airport, Summit Township Fire Department and the Lease Agreement between Summit Township and Verizon.

Motion by Trudell, supported by Way, and on roll call vote unanimously carried to approve Conditional Use Permit and Site Plan at 2121 Ferguson Road for a cell tower one hundred fifty (150) feet in height contingent upon compliance with the requirements of the Jackson Department of Transportation, Jackson County Drain Commissioner, Jackson County Airport, Summit Township Fire Department and the Lease Agreement between Summit Township and Verizon. (Copies attached hereto.)

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APPROVAL – RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE MICHIGAN MUTUAL AID BOX ALARM SYSTEM AGREEMENT

Motion by Hoyt, supported by Way, and on roll call unanimously carried to approve Resolution for approving the Summit Township Fire Department to participate in the Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System Agreement. (Copies attached hereto.)

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APPROVAL – RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION PROCEDURE AND GUIDELINES MANUAL

Motion by DuBois, supported by Way, and on roll call vote unanimously carried to approve Resolution to establish a Freedom of Information Procedure and Guidelines Manual in compliance with amendment to Public Act No. 563 of 2014. The manual, forms, and website information are to be in place as of July 1, 2015. (Copy attached hereto.)

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APPROVAL – AMENDMENT TO STREETLIGHT SPECIAL TAX ROLL ASSESSMENT – STONERIDGE DRIVE AND PINWOOD COURT

Motion by Hoyt, supported by Trudell, and on roll call vote unanimously carried to approve Amendment to the Streetlight Special Tax roll Assessment for Stoneridge Drive and Pinewood Court as presented by the Assessor. (Copies attached hereto.)

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DENIED – HIRING OF ONE FIREFIGHTER

Motion by Hoyt, supported by DuBois, and on roll call vote denied hiring of one (1) firefighter to fill the current vacancy. Ayes: Dunn, Dobben and Hoyt. Nays: DuBois, Trudell, Emmons and Way.

Motion by Way, supported by Emmons, and on roll call vote approved hiring of two (2) firefighters to maintain full coverage. Ayes: Dobben, Hoyt, DuBois, Trudell, Emmons and Way. Nays: Dunn.

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APPROVAL – MTA YEARLY DUES

Motion by Way, supported by Trudell, and on roll call vote unanimously carried to approve the yearly dues to MTA, Michigan Townships Association, in the amount of \$5,397.20. (Copies attached hereto.)

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OTHER BUSINESS:

APPROVAL – FIREWORKS PERMIT

Motion by Trudell, supported by Hoyt, and on voice vote unanimously carried to approve Fireworks Permit to Night Magic Displays to be held on Jackson College campus, 2111 Emmons Road, on June 23, 2015. (Copies attached hereto.)

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APPROVAL – CANCELLATION OF JULY BOARD MEETING

Motion by Way, supported by Trudell, and on voice vote unanimously carried to approve cancellation of the July 14, 2015 Township Board Meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the Supervisor adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Meghan Dobben, Clerk