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**Supervisor:** Anthony Sinicropi  
**Clerk:** Susan Tomasek-Swan  
**Treasurer:** Carolyn Stevens

**Trustees:** Erin Dutton  
Paul Dutton

Approved

Thursday, December 11, 2008 at the Ovid Municipal Building, 114 East Front St., Ovid, Mi; the Middlebury Township Board met for a regular meeting. The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm with a Pledge to the Flag and followed with a prayer led by Trustee Paul Dutton. The following roll call was taken with the following members present: Supervisor, Anthony Sinicropi; Clerk, Susan Tomasek-Swan; Treasurer, Carolyn Stevens; Trustees, Erin Dutton and Paul Dutton. Also present were Steve Loomis and his son, Justin Horvath and Brent Jones from SEDP, Bob Dennison and Doug Krebiehl from Planning Commission, Steve Potts, Rich Givens, Deputy Clerk, Shawn Dilts, and County Commissioner, Daniel Stewart.

**Scheduled Comments:**

Steve Loomis had nothing new to report.

**Public Comment:**

Justin Horvath introduced a new face to SEDP (Shiawassee Economic Development Partnership), Brent Jones. Justin continued to state that 2008 was a successful year with a 14<sup>th</sup> project in the works; a “Green “business of curbside recycling. The SEDP is continuing to help “automaker” tied industries to find new business/clients and continue to bring new business into the area. He stated that the SEDP wants to work hard on retention of business and making people in the area more marketable.

**General Business:**

A motion was made by Trustee E. Dutton and seconded by Trustee P. Dutton to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes and no nays, the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Treasurer Stevens and seconded by Trustee P. Dutton to approve the November minutes with the following correction; Strike “The having” and replace with “Having” under Communication section. All ayes and no nays, the motion was carried with the correction.

A motion was made by Trustee P. Dutton to accept the Treasurer’s report as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee E. Dutton. All ayes and no nays, the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Clerk Tomasek-Swan to amend the budget for the roads and elections from account 101-901(appropriate to other funds) to 101-451(roads) a total of \$900.00 and to

101-191(elections) a total of \$100.00. The motion was seconded by Treasure Stevens. All ayes and no nays, the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Sinicropi made a motion to pay the bills for a total of \$10,752.14 with checks #2260-2281 with void on cks# 2273 & 2277. The motion was seconded by Clerk Tomasek-Swan. All ayes and no nays, the motion was carried.

**Communication:**

Trustee E. Dutton discussed the MTA class on December 4<sup>th</sup>. She felt that the class just skimmed the surface of what was needed to be known.

Clerk Tomasek-Swan brought to the board attention about using software to keep the board books.

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Trustee P. Dutton and seconded by Treasurer Stevens to have every vote made by the board to be a roll call vote. All ayes and no nays, the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Sinicropi to send Trustees E. and P. Dutton to the Annual MTA Conference for January 27-29 nights and Jan 30<sup>th</sup> until end of the conference. The motion was seconded by Trustee P. Dutton. A roll call vote was taken with the following: P. Dutton-yes; E. Dutton-yes; Stevens-no; Tomasek-Swan-yes; Sinicropi-yes. The motion was carried.

A motion was made for Resolution 2008-10 by Trustee E. Dutton and seconded by Supervisor Sinicropi to adopt the 2009 calendar for the Middlebury Township Regular board meetings. The roll call vote was as followed: Tomasek-Swan-yes; E. Dutton-yes; P. Dutton-yes; Stevens-yes; Sinicropi-yes.

A motion was made by Clerk Tomasek-Swan to have Treasure Stevens have wireless internet services in her home at the township expense. The motion was seconded by E. Dutton. A roll call vote was as followed: P. Dutton, yes; E. Dutton, yes; Stevens, yes; Tomasek-Swan, yes; Sinicropi, yes. The motion was carried.

The board accepted the resignation letter of Clerk Tomasek-Swan from the Planning Commission due to E. Dutton being newly elected to the Township regular board and the regulation stating that only one (1) board member to be appointed to the planning board.

A motion was made by Supervisor Sinicropi and supported by Treasure Stevens to have a five (5) member planning commission board. A roll call vote was as followed: P. Dutton, yes; E. Dutton, yes; Stevens, yes; Tomasek-Swan, yes; Sinicropi, yes. The motion was carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Sinicropi to appoint Steve Potts to the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Stevens. A roll call vote was as followed: P. Dutton, yes; E. Dutton, yes; Stevens, yes; Tomasek-Swan, no; Sinicropi, yes. The motion was carried.

The board acknowledges the Planning Commission setting the meeting dates for 2009 calendar year. The following are the scheduled dates: Jan 7, June 4, September 3, and December 3.

A motion was made by Supervisor Sinicropi to have Trustee P. Dutton attend the Road Commission meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup> for compensation. Trustee E. Dutton seconded the motion. A roll call vote was as followed: P. Dutton, yes; E. Dutton, yes; Stevens, yes; Tomasek-Swan, yes; Sinicropi, yes.

The board had a discussion regarding the Gulick tower with the Planning Commission members. The Planning Commission informed the board a meeting was scheduled on December 17, 2008 to discuss the matter. Clerk Tomasek-Swan made a motion to table the discussion of the Gulick's tower until the January meeting. (Meeting was redirected to Dan Stewart to give his report). A roll call vote was (taken later in the meeting) as followed: P. Dutton, yes; E. Dutton, yes; Stevens, yes; Tomasek-Swan, yes; Sinicropi, yes.

Dan Stewart updated the board on the activities at the county level. He discussed the readjustment of the Sheriff department's budget, the MPL 1592 (Food Service bill for Non-profit), the dispatch problems with OMES and the health department accreditation.

Clerk Tomasek-Swan made a motion to table reappointment of the Board of Review until everyone had been verified as wanting to participate. Treasure Stevens seconded the motion. A roll call vote was as follows: P. Dutton, yes; E. Dutton, yes; Stevens, yes; Tomasek-Swan, yes; Sinicropi, yes.

#### **Final Comments:**

Supervisor Sinicropi thanked SEDP for attending our meeting. Trustee P. Dutton reminded the board of his attendance at the SATA meeting and the difference he made for the township.

Trustee E. Dutton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Stevens. A roll call vote was as followed: P. Dutton, yes; E. Dutton, yes; Stevens, yes; Tomasek-Swan, yes; Sinicropi, yes.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:22 pm.

Submitted by  
Susan Tomasek-Swan  
Clerk