

MAY 14, 2010

THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RAPID RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 PM BY THE SUPERVISOR THEN THE PLEDGE OF THE FLAG WAS RECITED.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: RANDY BUYZE, CARI JO BERLIN, TERRY WILLIAMS, JOHN ROGERS AND VALERIE HANSEN.

OTHERS THAT SIGNED IN: PHYLLIS SENSKE AND STUART ROGERS.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: BUYZE MOTIONED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED, SUPPORT: WILLIAMS. ALL AYES RECEIVED – MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: STUART ROGERS; TRAINING NEEDED ON OPEN MEETINGS ACT AND SENSKE; ON A MISSPELLED WORD.

DISCUSS CONTACTING LEGAL (TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY): BUYZE STATED HE HAD MET WITH THE COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (DONNELLY) AND WITH THE MICHIGAN STATE POLICE IN RESPONSE TO OUR BOARD BEING INVESTIGATED ON A VIOLATION OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT AND THE RECENT ALLEGATIONS POSED BY A TOWNSHIP RESIDENT. MORE DISCUSSION RESULTED IN HANSEN MOTIONING TO APPROVE BUYZE TO SEEK LEGAL COUNSEL (FORD) IN REFERENCE TO THE RECENT ALLEGATIONS, SUPPORT: BERLIN. ITEMS FOR FORDS REVIEW WILL INCLUDE, ALL BOARD MINUTES STARTING WITH FEBRUARY 2010, POSTINGS AGENDAS, PHYLLIS' SUBMISSIONS AND TRUSTEES RESPONSE. ROLL CALL VOTE, HANSEN: YES, BERLIN: YES, WILLIAMS: YES, BUYZE: YES AND ROGERS: YES. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSS COMPENSATION ON RESEARCH: BUYZE ASKED FOR GUIDANCE ON THE EXPENSE INCURRED, THE SCHEDULED MEETING WITH DONNELLY WAS 1 ½ HOURS AND HE MET WITH THE STATE POLICE FOR 30 MINUTES AND TWO (2) ROUND TRIPS TOTALING 50 MILES. DISCUSSION RESULTED IN WILLIAMS MOTION THAT BUYZE CHARGE A "MEETING FEE" OF \$45.00 FOR THE APPOINTMENT WITH THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY AND THE HALF HOUR HE INCURRED WITH THE STATE POLICE AT THE RATE OF \$15.00 PER HOUR OR \$7.50. SUPPORT: HANSEN. ROLL CALL VOTE, WILLIAMS: YES, HANSEN: YES, BERLIN: YES, BUYZE: ABSTAIN AND ROGERS: NO. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIN COMMENT: ROGERS; MEETINGS, TIME SENSITIVE ISSUES, HONEST OVER SIGHT ON BID AND AGENDA ITEMS.

WILLIAMS MOTIONED TO ADJOURN AT 7:22 PM, SUPPORT: BERLIN. ALL AYES RECEIVED – MOTION CARRIED.

RESPECTFULLY, VALERIE HANSEN – CLERK. **APPROVED AS PRESENTED 6/8/2010.**