

**Salem Township
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
January 9, 2007**

1. Pledge of Allegiance/Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Supervisor Roperti who led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Present: Hamilton, Hornback, Quigly, Roperti, Trent, Witkowski.
Absent: Van Fossen. Quorum declared.

3. Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Hornback and seconded by Mr. Witkowski to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Roperti reviewed Meeting Rules and Guidelines for conduct during the meeting.

4. Presentations

The new deputy assigned to Salem Township will be arriving later in the meeting.

5. Public Comment – Brief: Five citizens provided comments and one comment was read into the record. Subject matter pertained to the new meeting rules being proposed, Open Meetings Act, Board conduct, and attendance of appointees to their respective meetings.

6. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Hornback and seconded by Mr. Quigly to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2006 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Hornback and seconded by Mr. Witkowski to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2006 Closed Session of the Salem Township Board of Trustees Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mr. Witkowski and seconded by Mr. Quigly to accept the minutes from the December 11, 2006 FAB Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Business Items

A. Disbursements

Motion by Mr. Trent and seconded by Mr. Quigly to approve disbursements for the month of December 2006 as follows:

General Fund – check # 18753-18810	\$63,475.27
Payroll -	\$47,502.65
Sewer Fund – check #1413-1418	\$ 4,126.98

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Meeting Rule Guidelines

Motion by Mr. Quigly and seconded by Mrs. Hornback to approve the Salem Township Board of Trustee Meeting Rules. Motion carried 5-1 (Trent).

C. Appointment to the Planning Commission

Motion by Mr. Roperti and seconded by Mrs. Hornback to appoint Kristen Rachwal to the Planning Commission to complete an unexpired three year term that ends December 2007. Motion carried unanimously

D. Committee Guidelines

Motion by Mr. Quigly and seconded by Mr. Witkowski to approve the revision to the Committee Guidelines with review by the township attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

E. "Opt In" Agreements

Motion by Mr. Trent and seconded by Mrs. Hamilton to authorize Clerk David Trent to sign updated "opt in" agreements for administering school elections effective January 2, 2007 with Washtenaw, Wayne, and Oakland Counties. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Presentation

The new deputy assigned to Salem Township for the next year from the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department, John Campbell, was introduced to the Board and gave a brief summary of his law enforcement background.

E. Telecommunication Vendor

Motion by Mr. Trent and seconded by Mr. Quigly to approve the bid proposal from TDS and authorize the Supervisor to sign the Service Agreement contingent on TDS absorbing termination fees up to \$2,000. Motion defeated: Ayes - 2 (Trent, Quigly) – Nays - 4 (Hamilton, Hornback, Roperti, Witkowski).

G. Revise Building Maintenance Salary Budget

Motion by Mr. Roperti and seconded by Mrs. Hamilton to increase line item 265.000.702.020 – Salary Building Maintenance from \$4,000 to \$6,500. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Reports

Board received the following reports for the month of December: Fire Department, Zoning Administrator, and Planning Commission Liaison.

9. Committee Reports - None

10. Board Discussion - None

11. Public Comment – Extended

Seven citizens provided comments.

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

David Trent
Salem Township Clerk