

**Monterey Township Board Meeting
November 4, 2013**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Nevin Cooper-Keel at 8:00pm at the Community Building. Board members present: Nevin Cooper-Keel, Jennifer Frank, Lois Commons, Earl Collier, and Faye Black

There were 15 citizens present and Max Thiele, Bob Karlie. Rep. Bob Genetski, and Terry Burns

October 7, 2013 meeting minutes approved, motion carried

Public Comment:

Patrick Riley presented a letter written to the board regarding medical emergencies that occurred in the Dumont lake area and the response time of the rescue professionals. They feel the 15 min- 35 minute response time by first responders and ambulance is unsatisfactory. Supervisor Cooper-Keel is going to contact the dispatch supervisor and research this situation.

Carl Avery presented the Nusense ordinance and asked for township enforcement of this. He has had the Sherriff out numerous times as well as the state police concerning a neighbor and feels the state police advised him to have the township board enforce the ordinance.

Max Theile gave county update. There is a new court forming called the Veteran's court. It will deal with Veteran's with mental health issues and presided over by Judge Ballargian. Valley Township having issues over ballot language, townships are being cautioned to make sure ballot language appropriate. Allegan County Mental Health is moving toward operating as an independent agency. Jail finishing up this month with construction.

Rep. Bob Genetski reported that Michigan has passed a bill on Medicaid expansion. Michigan looking at possibility of gas tax increase and registration 60% increase. Automobile no-fault insurance is also being looked at for reform in Michigan. Michigan experienced a 1.9 million shortfall on the HICA tax funding Medicaid. Hunting sports getting an advertising push, hunting fees increase did pass in Michigan.

Bob Karliee from the Allegan County Road commission reports the weather has left gravel roads in poor condition. Drivers are working overtime to grade the roads. Bob Emphasized the importance of voting for road funding and noted the difference that a transportation fund does not necessarily all go to roads where a road fund does. Offered support of Act 51 which fairly allocates where road funding is distributed.

Terry Burns is running for State Representative. He is with the Republican party with a background in assessing and insurance. He has lived all his life in Allegan County.

Frank moved supported by Cooper-Keel to approve Brian Busscher's email request to have Sandy Pines assessed in effort to resolve the tax tribunal by a different firm than previously approved. The estimated cost will be approximately \$5000 Monterey's share. Salem Township will be picking up their share of this bill as well. Motion Carried.

Commons moved supported by Collier to sign Metro Act Right Of Way Permit Extensions, 4 yeas 1 Abstain (CK) Motion carried.

Frank moved supported by Collier to approve cemetery deeds fro Richard, Lila and Richard Jr. Lowman Motion Carried.

Commons moved supported by Cooper-Keel to pay bills. Motion Carried.

Frank moved supported by Commons to approve October financial statement. Motion Carried

Frank moved supported by Collier to approve the Allegan County Road Commission work order for 134th Avenue 32nd to 30th rebuild. Motion Carried

Commons moved supported by Black to adjourn. Motion carried.

Jennifer Frank
Township Clerk