Minutes

The regular meeting of the Port Sheldon Township Board held on Thursday October 13, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. **PRESENT:** Howard Baumann, Kathy Van Voorst, Esther Van Slooten and Gerald Smith: **ABSENT:** Bill Monhollon. Also, present Attorney Rodney Schermer, Fire Chief Gordon VanderYacht, and one township resident. Howard Baumann led the pledge of allegiance and VanVoorst offered an invocation. Motion made by Smith **to approve the agenda.** The motion was supported by Van Slooten and carried

Consent agenda items.

To approve the minutes of the September 8, 2011 Township board meeting.

To approve the minutes of the October 6, 2011 Special Meeting.

To accept the financial report.

To accept the correspondence.

Thank you letter from the Doug Bakker family.

To accept the committee reports.

a. Fire Department: The department responded to 17 calls and held two meetings in September.

b. Building: Eleven permits issued in September with two new house starts.

Motion made by Van Slooten **to approve the consent agenda**, supported by Smith and carried.

A letter, from Mountain Beach President Tom Griggs, was read regarding Private Road Variance application made July 8, 2010.

Motion made by Smith to deny the variance application submitted by the Mountain Beach Association, for a variance from Private Road Ordinance #41, the reason they have not come forward with a plan as requested on July 14, 2011. Attorney Rodney Schermer is authorized to work with Wayne Oosterink to pursue legal action. Motion supported by Van Slooten and carried with four yes roll call votes.

Motion made by Van Slooten to enter into the Stanton Street Sewer Connection Contract with the Ottawa County Road Commission and True Pine LLC and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign contract. Motion supported by Smith and carried with four yes roll call votes.

Motion made by Smith to authorize payment of \$117,083.96 within the next thirty days for road work and extra wide shoulder on Stanton Street. Motion supported by Van Slooten and carried with four yes roll call votes.

Motion made by Smith to authorize payment of \$138.32 to Michigan Township Association in Consumers Energy Rate Case. Motion supported by Van Voorst and carried with four yes roll call votes.

Motion made by Smith to approve estimate from Advance Sealing and Paving for maintenance work at Windsnest Park, fire station, trash area and parking lot near tennis courts, in the amount of \$6540. Motion supported by Van Slooten and carried with four yes roll call votes.

Motion made by Smith to approve estimate from Complete Lawn and Landscaping Services LLC for maintenance work on the path from the township hall to fire station in the amount of \$1545. Motion supported by Van Voorst and carried with four yes roll call votes.

Motion made by Van Slooten to approve expenses for any board member who wishes to attend the M.T.A. Educational Conference in January 2012. Motion supported by Smith and carried.

Motion made by Smith **to pay bills**, supported by Van Slooten and carried.

Discussion: Kouw Park and township building fascia.

Meeting adjourned 7:25 p.m.

Kathy Van Voorst, Clerk