LEAVITT TOWNSHIP

BUDGET HEARING & REGULAR MEETING

HELD AT TOWNSHIP HALL

MARCH 12, 2012

7:00 P.M.

SUPERVISOR, JOHN HERREMANS, CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED. ROLL CALL TAKEN – ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT. GUEST WAS JIM YANCEY. MOTION WAS MADE BY KRUPPE AND SUPPORTED BY MC BRIDE TO ACCEPT THE AMENDED FIRE BUDGET FOR 2011-2012. CARRIED. MOTION WAS MADE BY MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO ACCEPT THE FIRE BUDGET FOR 2012-2013. CARRIED. MOTION WAS MADE BY MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO ACCEPT THE AMENDED TOWNSHIP BUDGET FOR 2011-2012. CARRIED. THERE WAS DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET FOR 2012-2013 CONCERNING THE AFFECT TOWNSHIP BOARD SALARY RAISES WOULD HAVE ON THE BUDGET. THE BOARD DECIDED TO DISCUSS THE RAISES BEFORE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR 2012-2013. THERE WAS MUCH DISCUSSION ON THE MATTER. MR. YANCEY COMMENTED HE THOUGHT THE BOARD SHOULD NOT HAVE RAISES AT THIS TIME DUE TO THE POOR ECONOMY. THE SUPERVISOR STATED THE BOARD’S LAST RAISE WAS FIVE YEARS AGO AND HE THOUGHT WE SHOULD HAVE RAISES. MOTION WAS MADE BY KRUPPE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO RAISE THE SUPERVISOR’S SALARY BY $50 PER MONTH TO $600.00. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: KOLBE-YES, KRUPPE-YES, PURDY-YES, MC BRIDE-NO, HERREMANS-ABSTAINED. SALARY RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED – 3 YES, 1 NO, 1 ABSTENTION. MOTION WAS MADE BY MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO RAISE THE CLERK’S SALARY BY $75 PER MONTH TO $625.00. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: PURDY-YES, MC BRIDE-YES, KRUPPE-YES, HERREMANS-YES, KOLBE, ABSTAINED. SALARY RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED-4 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSTENTION. MOTION WAS MADE BY MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO RAISE THE TREASURER’S SALARY BY $75 PER MONTH TO $625.00. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: KOLBE-YES, MC BRIDE-YES, PURDY-YES, HERREMANS-YES, KRUPPE-ABSTAINED. SALARY RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED-4 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSTENTION. MOTION WAS MADE BY KRUPPE AND SUPPORTED BY HERREMANS TO RAISE THE TRUSTEES BY $10 PER MEETING ATTENDED TO $125 PER MEETING. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: KRUPPE-YES, KOLBE-YES, HERREMANS-YES, MC BRIDE-ABSTAINED, PURDY-ABSTAINED. SALARY RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED – 3 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSTENTIONS. THE BUDGET WAS CHANGED TO REFLECT THE RAISES. MOTION WAS MADE BY KRUPPE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO ADOPT THE 2012-2013 BUDGET AS PRESENTED. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: KRUPPE-YES, PURDY-YES, KOLBE-YES, MC BRIDE-NO, HERREMANS-YES. THE BUDGET WAS ADOPTED-4 YES, 1 NO. MOTION WAS MADE BY MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO ADJOURN THE BUDGET HEARING. CARRIED.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING: SUPERVISOR, JOHN HERREMANS, CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. ASSESSOR, DAN KIRWIN, ARRIVED FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING. THE REGUALR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL CONTINUE TO BE THE 2ND MONDAY ON THE MONTH AT 7:00 P.M. THE TOWNSHIP WILL CONTINUE TO USE WESTSHORE BANK AS IT’S DEPOSITORY BUT ALSO ADD LAKE-OSCEOLA BANK AND FAMILY FINANCIAL CREDIT UNION AS ALTERNATE DEPOSITORIES. THERE WILL BE NO CHANGE IN SPECIAL MEETINGS. ALL DEPUTIES, ELECTION WORKERS AND BOARD OF REVIEW HOURLY RATES WILL STAY THE SAME. MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT WILL REMAIN AT .50 PER MILE. MOTION WAS MADE BY MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY KOLBE TO EXTEND DAN KIRWIN’S CONTRACT FOR ASSESSING ($9,000 PER YEAR) FOR ANOTHER YEAR. CARRIED. THE TOWNSHIP WIL ALSO HIRE SOMEONE TO MAINTAIN THE PARK FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR. MOTION WAS MADE BY KRUPPE AND SUPPORTED BY MC BRIDE TO ADJOURN THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING. CARRIED.

REGULAR MEETING: JOHN HERREMANS, CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MOTION WAS MADE BY MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO ACCEPT THE FEBRUARY MINUTES. CARRIED. THE TREASURER’S REPORT FOR MARCH WAS GIVEN. MOTION WAS MADE BY

MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY KRUPPE TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER’S REPORT WITH THE STIPULATION THAT THE BOARD DISCUSS EXTRA TRUSTEE EXPENDITURES LATER IN THE MEETING. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS: THE CLERK REPORTED THAT THE ELECTION ON FEB. 28TH WENT WELL WITH 74 PEOPLE VOTING. THE TREASURER REPORTED THAT THE TAX COLLECTION AND SETTLEMENT WENT WELL. MR. MC MAHON, WHO HAD PRESENTED THE BOARD IN FEBRUARY AN OIL & GAS LEASE PROPOSAL, WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE MEETING. IN LIEU OF HIS ABSENCE, MOTION WAS MADE BY MC BRIDE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO REJECT THE OIL AND GAS LEASE THAT HAD BEEN PROPOSED. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS: THE SUPERVISOR BROUGHT TO THE MEETING SEVERAL PROPOSALS FOR THE BRINING FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR. AFTER DISCUSSING THE PROPOSALS, MOTION WAS MADE BY PURDY AND SUPPORTED BY KRUPPE TO AWARD THE BRINING TO D & B BRINING FOR 2012. MOTION CARRIED. THE TREASURER BROUGHT TO THE MEETING A SAMPLE OF A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE PROHIBITING OF DISCRIMINATORY HARASSMENT AND WORKPLACE VIOLENCE. THE MATTER WAS TABLED TO THE NEXT MEETING IN APRIL. THE CLERK STATED A NEW STATE LAW WOULD BE MOVING THE SCHOOL ELECTIONS TO EVEN YEARS IN NOVEMBER. DUE TO THIS CHANGE, ALL VOTERS IN THE TOWNSHIP WILL NOW BE VOTING ON SCHOOL ELECTIONS AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL. BECAUSE OF THE CHANGE IN POLLING PLACE FOR SOME VOTERS IN THE TOWNSHIP, NEW VOTER ID CARDS WILL NEED TO BE SENT TO ALL QUALIFIED VOTERS IN THE TOWNSHIP THIS YEAR. THE CLERK WILL GET PRICES FOR THE BOARD ON THE COSTS INVOLVED. THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT WHETHER LARRY INGALLS, WHO CARES FOR THE TOWNSHIP PARK, WAS COVERED FOR LIABILITY UNDER THE TOWNSHIP’S INSURANCE POLICY. THE CLERK WILL CHECK WITH THE INSURANCE COMPANY. THE BOARD DISCUSSED ABOUT PARTICIPATING IN THE HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM IN HART. MOTION WAS MADE BY PURDY AND SUPPORTED BY MC BRIDE NOT TO PARTICIPATE THIS YEAR. CARRIED. THE CLERK RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE OCEANA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION ABOUT AN UPCOMING MEETING IN ELBRIDGE TOWNSHIP. THE ISSUE WAS TABLED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING. THE CLERK ALSO RECEIVED A LETTER FROM OCEANA CO. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP. THEY WOULD LIKE A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION ($270.00) FROM THE TOWNSHIP. MOTION WAS MADE BY KOLBE AND SUPPORTED BY KRUPPE NOT TO CONTRIBUTE. CARRIED. THE ISSUE OF EXTRA COMPENSATION FOR THE TRUSTEES WAS DISCUSSED. THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS THAT ANY EXTRA PAY SHOULD BE PRE-APPROVED. A POLICY ADDRESSING THE ISSUE WILL BE CONSIDERED. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THIS TIME. MOTION WAS MADE BY KOLBE AND SUPPORTED BY PURDY TO PAY THE CURRENT BILLS. CARRIED. MOTION WAS MADE BY HERREMANS AND SUPPORTED BY MC BRIDE TO ADJOURN. CARRIED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

RICHARD KOLBE, CLERK