Heath Township Minutes October 11, 2010

1. Call to order

The regular monthly meeting of the Heath Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Ron Jones at 7:00 on October 11, 2010 at the township hall. Schipper opened with prayer.

2. Roll call

Supervisor Ron Jones, Clerk Sheila Meiste, Treasurer, Misti Lindholm, Trustee Hilda Boerman, Trustee Dick Schipper.

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Previous months minutes were approved.

4. Reports

a) Representative spoke for Paul Klein who is running for Circuit Judge on November 2.

5. New business

- a) Mr. Brouwer questioned what the township can do about a neighbor who has junk in his yard at 3569 47th St. He rents the property and has filled a garage full of car parts which is now spreading to the outside. The neighbors have asked him to clean this up and he has agreed to try. Bob Jones from PCI has been contacted. Since the township has an ordinance for junk vehicles, the property owner has received notice and has 30 days to comply. It is the land lord's responsibility to clean this up. If not cleaned up in 30 days, he will be issued a citation.
- b) The Supervisor stated that the next order of business was the consideration of the establishment of an Industrial Development District for approximately 60 acres of the Hamilton Farm Bureau property. The company expects to construct an expansion to its egg production facilities and to acquire new machinery and equipment in the township. They also anticipate future projects to expand the feed production and crop input supply and service capacities on the Hamilton campus. The egg expansion is expected to cost approximately \$6,500,000. As a result of this project the Company hopes to improve its efficiency and ability to compete, and maintain the existing jobs in Heath Township. Hilda questioned if any new jobs would be added. Mr. Elgersma stated there would be none. The HFB cannot break ground on any new facilities until the Industrial Development District is approved. A motion was made by Boerman, seconded by Lindholm to adopt the foregoing resolution. Upon roll call vote on the motion the following voted "aye". Boerman, Schipper, Meiste, Jones, Lindholm. The following voted "nay". None. Motion carried and resolution adopted.
- c) Dick talked to the resident who has been placing sticks on the street right of way. He has complied. Residents questioned when leaves will start being picked up. Ron said it should be soon.

6. Zoning update

a) The Planning Commission will be meeting on Thursday, October 21 at 7:00 to work on the townships Master Plan. Hilda has talked to the Road Commission and they have asked the Planning Commission to decide which roads they do not want declared truck routes.

7. Bills

- a) Motion by Boerman supported by Schipper to pay township bills.
- b) Motion by Schipper supported by Lindholm to pay fire department bills.

8. Adjournment

a) Motion by Boerman supported by Meiste to adjourn the meeting at 7:40.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Sheila Meiste, approved by Supervisor Ron Jones.