Heath Township Meeting Minutes January 13, 2014

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 January 13, 2014 at the township hall. Boerman opened with prayer.

2. Roll call

Supervisor Ron Jones, Clerk Sheila Meiste, Trustee Hilda Boerman, Trustee Bill Harvey. Treasurer, Misti Lindholm absent.

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Previous months minutes were approved.

4. Reports

- a) Allegan County Central Dispatch. In August they will be coming to the voter for a 911 surcharge increase to upgrade equipment. They will be asking for a 20 cent increase per device.
- b) Jim Storey, County Commissioner.
 - Working on a resolution in regards to public safety improvement with the M-40 and I-196 intersection.
 - Jail open house will be March 8 from 10:00 4:00. Public officials will be getting a separate invite.
 - Commissioners starting a five year budget program.
 - Elected new officers and Mark DeJonge was re-elected chairperson and Jim as vice-chair

5. New business

- a) Hamilton Fire & Rescue annual report, general budget and capital budget presented by Chief Haverdink. Motion to approve general budget by Boerman supported by Harvey and unanimously carried. Motion to approve capital budget by Harvey supported by Boerman and unanimously carried. Appreciation was expressed to the fire department and personnel.
- b) It has been recommended by our attorney, the zoning administrator and professional planners to consistently appoint new personnel to the Planning Commission. Ron recommended the appointment of Mike Phillips to a three year term from January 31, 2014 to January 31, 2017. Motion by Boerman supported by Meiste and unanimously supported to approve this appointment. This is replacing Kirk Van Order's term. Mike would also need to be appointed to the ZBA for the same term. Motion by Boerman

supported by Harvey and unanimously supported. There will be training in the spring for all new members.

- c) Allegan County Proposal for Aerial Imagery for the township. The total comes to \$2,231.99. Motion by Boerman supported by Harvey and unanimously supported to approve.
- d) Hilda gave an update on the Trestle Park. M.C. Smith will be applying for a grant and the township needs letters of support from the community by April 1st. There will be hearings for public input.

6. Zoning update

a) The Planning Commission will be meeting on Thursday January 16 at 7:00 p.m. to elect officers.

7. Bills

- a) Motion by Meiste supported by Boerman to pay township bills.
- b) Motion by Boerman supported by Harvey to pay fire department bills.

8. Adjournment

a) Motion by Meiste supported by Boerman to adjourn the meeting at 7:50.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Sheila Meiste.