

Thursday March 10, 2005 at 6:35 p.m. the Middlebury Township Public Budget Hearing was held at the Ovid Municipal Building with the meeting being called to order by Supervisor Anthony Sinicropi. Present were Clerk Audrey Sovis, Treasurer Carolyn Stevens, and Trustees Paul Dutton and Charles Simpson. There were 7 visitors. The budget was gone over line by line with no changes made from the proposed copy. At 7:23 p.m. a **motion** was made by Sinicropi, seconded by Dutton to close the budget hearing, all ayes, no nays, carried.

At 7:25 p.m., the regular Middlebury Township Board meeting was called to order by Sinicropi with the pledge to the flag. Prayer was given by Sovis. There were nine visitors.

General Business: A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Simpson to approve the agenda. All ayes, no nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Sinicropi to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2005 board meeting. All ayes, no nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Sovis, seconded by Stevens to amend the budget: \$1,735 **from** (445) Drains at large with \$400 **to** (253) Treasurer , \$225 **to** (276) Cemetery, \$110 **to** (215) Clerk, \$1,000 **to** (209) Assessor
Roll call vote: Sinicropi aye, Stevens aye, Sovis aye, Dutton aye, Simpson aye, no nays, none absent, carried. A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Sovis to approve the treasurer's report. Roll call vote: Dutton aye, Simpson aye, Sinicropi aye, Stevens aye, Sovis aye, no nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Simpson to approve the payment of the February bills in the amount of \$15,186.13 (check #'s 1386-1414). Roll call vote by signature: All aye, no nays, carried.

Communications read out loud by Sinicropi: A letter from the Shiawassee County Drain Office in regard to project planning and requesting any knowledge of water drainage problems that may be occurring in the township; a letter from Shiawassee County Community Development in regard to an expired temporary mobile home permit on property owned by William Nethaway; and a letter from Margaret White of 6895 W. M-21 Ovid, regarding her opposition to the rezoning of the Owosso Speedway to B-2 status.

Attorney Mark Cooley presented the board with a final draft of the Inter-Governmental Agreement in regard to water/sewer hook-up. A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Sovis to authorize Sinicropi to sign a final copy of the agreement which will be presented to the Village at their next meeting. All ayes, no nays, carried.

New and Unfinished Business: A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Sinicropi to support the M.A.G.N.E.T. program with \$1,500 for the year 2005. Roll call vote: Stevens aye, Sovis aye, Sinicropi aye, Simpson aye, Dutton aye. No nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Sinicropi, seconded by Dutton to give \$1,200 to the Ovid Parks and Recreation for 2005. Roll call vote: Sinicropi aye, Dutton aye, Simpson aye, Stevens aye, Sovis aye, no nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Simpson to re-appoint Heather Kline to the Library Board with her term expiring in 2009. All ayes, no nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Sinicropi, seconded by Sovis to pay the Trustees \$75 a year for office service expenses incurred from their home. Roll call vote: Stevens aye, Sovis aye, Sinicropi aye, Dutton aye, Simpson aye. No nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Simpson to increase the mileage reimbursement from 34 cents to 36 cents. Roll call vote: Dutton aye, Simpson aye, Sinicropi nay, Sovis aye, Stevens aye. Carried. A **motion** was made by Simpson, seconded by Dutton to approve the Middlebury Township budget for fiscal year 2005-2006. Roll call vote: Sinicropi aye, Sovis aye, Stevens aye, Dutton aye, Simpson aye. No nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Dutton seconded by Sovis to start a new Improvement CD (CD FY2005-06) in the amount of \$10,000, to be taken from the Contingency Fund, leaving a new balance of \$19,400 in the Contingency fund of the 2005-06 budget. Roll call vote: Stevens aye, Sovis aye, Sinicropi aye, Dutton aye, Simpson aye, no nays, carried. A **motion** was made by Dutton, seconded by Simpson to renew the service contract with Miller Elections and Consultations at an annual cost of \$150. All ayes, no nays, carried. At 8:35 p.m. the board stopped for coffee and resumed at 8:55 p.m.

Discussion took place regarding the cemetery rules, in particular, the transferring of burial permits. It was decided that the clerk would type up a draft amendment to be presented to the board in April. At 9:13 p.m. Sovis made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Simpson, all ayes, no nays, carried.