

SOUTHWEST WASHTENAW COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

7:00 pm Wednesday, December 9, 2009
Manchester Township Hall

APPROVED MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** by Vice Chair Vaillencourt at 7:05 PM
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Sign In - Introductions** - Pat Vaillencourt, Karl Racenis, George Daubner, Ron Ellison, Shirley Haussler, Bill Lewis, Larry Lindemann, Jolea Mull, Jesse O'Jack, Jimmy Schiel, Jeff Wallace, Marty Way, Dale Weidmayer.
4. **Approval of Agenda** - removed Sheriff Clayton from item 8, motion by Lewis to approve as amended, seconded by Wiedmayer, approved by acclamation.
5. **Approval of Minutes** – November Regular meeting - after several typos, motion to approve as corrected by Lewis, seconded by Weimayer, approved by acclamation.
6. **Reports –**
 - a. **County Planning Advisory Board**, Lewis - no report
 - b. **WATS** no report
 - c. **Polices Services**, Vaillencourt - Ways & Means meeting Ypsi Twp. will reduce Deputies by 10 due to failure of millage. Considering going to County-wide deputies
 - d. **WCRC** no report
 - e. **L.E.P.C.** no report
 - f. **Other** Joint Mineral License Resources Board Ordinance by Bridgewater

Sharon Twp - County Parks concern about loss of property tax roll loss.

8. **Manchester D.D.A.**, Racenis - presented 2011 Downtown Enhancement project, highlighting the key sidewalk, streetlight, tree, and seating area features. Opportunities for incorporating energy efficient lighting and the risks due to State budget issues were also discussed. Mull suggested that SWWCOG pass a resolution supporting this project and encouraging the State to continue funding the 2011 M-52 and the Manchester Downtown Enhancement projects as planned. She offered to draft such a resolution at the appropriate time.

9. **Discussion of potential areas of Inter-governmental cooperation.**

Lewis - County Parks Commission removing by expanding parks system without considering Township desires.

Weidmayer - Mineral extraction licensing ordinance coordination between Townships.

10. **Roundtable Discussion –**

Manchester Schools, Ellison - budget cuts discussed again relative to State playing politics with School Funding. Disappointed with Byrnes and Richardville.

Freedom Township, Weidmayer - discussed increasing Town Hall rents, Board working on Zoning Fee schedule, got Joint Planning Commission ordinance in line.

Bridgewater Township, Mull - gravel pit inspection showed no issues, they are still digging and still have work, passed Joint Planning Commission ordinance different than the other jurisdictions but working with O'Jack to reconcile. Special meeting held last Monday to

approve the first expansion of the sewer distict. Planning Commission is working on defining that boundary. Planning Commission is also developing a Conservation/Preservation Ordinance. Board looking working on 2010-11 budget and targeting March completion.

Sharon Township, Lewis - lawyer's fees not yet resolved in Gourley eminent domain lawsuit. This issue caused better attendance than usual at the last Board Meeting, WCRC working at Pleasant Lake and Sharon Hollow Roads to improve intersection, closed for 5 days maximum after 2010 Chicken Broil.

Manchester Township, Daubner - Planning Commission working on road ROW, wind energy conversion, and wood fire & boiler amendments.

Manchester Village, Vaillencourt - Council looked at Audit results which commends Village staff on excellent results and financial integrity. Council also looked at Future Land Use Plan. Planning Commission met with Manchester Township Planning Commission to put in inputs in growth boundary areas in preparation for future Joint Planning Commission input.

Relative to Manchester Enterprise article on Sharon Township vs. Gourley lawsuit, Vaillencourt wants to make very clear that there is no intent or movement on part of the Village to annex any part of Sharon Township. In any past annexation, the property owner requesting annexation to the Village is required to get agreements from the respective Township first before the Village will even consider it.

Wallace was approached by the Townships around Chelsea expressing interest in bike lanes on M-52 from Chelsea to Manchester. He stated that the 5' shoulders being included in the planned roadway (8' shoulders around Peckins Road) provide such opportunities.

11. Other Business, Mull - proposed Resolution from SWWCOG opposing County misappropriating local Township's Statutory authority over dog licenses, Lewis requested tabling to January Meeting

12. Adjourn at 8:07 PM Mull, Lewis

Respectfully Submitted,
Karl Racenis

Approved: 13-JAN-2010

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2010 MEETING SCHEDULE

Jan. 13 – Manchester Vill. - <u>WCRC Engineer</u>	July - <u>NO MEETING</u> - _____
Feb. 10 – Manchester Schools – <u>County Parks</u>	Aug. 11 – Bridgewater Twp. _____
Mar. 10 – Manchester Twp. - _____	Sept. 8 – Freedom Twp. _____
April 14 - Manchester Vill. - _____	Oct. 13 – Manchester Vill. _____
May – 12 Bridgewater Twp. - _____	Nov. 10 – Manchester Schools _____
June 9 – Freedom Twp. - _____	Dec. 8 – Manchester Twp. _____