

SOUTHWEST WASHTENAW COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

7:00 pm Wednesday, June 10, 2009
Bridgewater Township

APPROVED MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** by Mann at 7:04 PM.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Sign In** -Dave Betts, Andrea Bibby, George Daubner, Bill DeGroot, Peter DeLoof, Ron Ellison, Doug Fuller, Shirley Haussler, Dave Horney, Sybil Kolon, Bill Lewis, Ron Mann, Deena McIntosh, Melissa Milton-Pung, Jolea Mull, Jesse O'Jack, Karl Racenis, Pat Vaillencourt.
4. **Introductions**
5. **Approval of Agenda** - motion by Lewis to approve as presented, seconded by Daubner, approved by acclamation.
6. **Approval of Minutes** – May Regular meeting, motion to approve as published by Lewis, seconded by Daubner, approved by acclamation.
7. **Reports** –
 - a. **County Planning Advisory Board, Lewis** - May 18 meeting presentation on Aerotropolis presentation on economic development relative to Detroit Metro and Willow Run airports.
Presentation on Conservation & Historic Preservation credits.
CAPTDART received LIAA Grant.
 - b. **WATS, Mann** - 2035 Plan Presentation made tonight. Local jurisdictions received specific copies, MDOT presented plans for cancellation. Vaillencourt update on recent action by Schauer, Richardville, and Byrnes.
 - c. **Polices Services, Vaillencourt** - no June meeting, 4% increase in PSU cost proposed for 2011 budget by County Administrator Bob Gunzel.
 - d. **WCRC, Fuller** - Schneider Road update, opening bids for paving June 18, pavement repair in July, sealing in August. Long-range draft plan by WCRC and Governor's Report on Roads and Bridges. (<http://drivemi.org/>)
 - e. **Other, Mull** - attended County Commissioners meeting, Ping and Ouimet asked for items of concern from SWWCOG area to make sure they get considered in the County Budget Process.
8. **Future topics/projects** - Mann asked for topics/projects suggestions at August meeting.
9. **Roundtable Discussion** –
Bridgewater Township, Mull - issue with County Parks on boardwalk, observation deck and parking area improvements without Township approval. Granted 3 variances after the fact to County Parks. Item of concern for all SWWCOG jurisdictions is that County wants to buy up as much property as possible to provide river walk along Raisin River. Also never received DEQ permits because observation platform was built over wetlands. Need to simplify Zoning Ordinance because Bridgewater is smallest Township in County but has complex Ordinances. Planning Commission also reviewing Master Plan

Sharon Township, Lewis - adopted next year's budget, need for reworking Zoning fee structure because of issues with new Sharon Methodist Church building, reviewing fire runs and managing their costs.

Manchester Township, Mann - working on budget, workshop and hearing scheduled, struggling with new accounting system, Special Assessment District for Timber Hill Road tabled, concern about selling Bonds, Public Hearings for Item 5 and M-52/US-12 setback requirements

Manchester Village, Vaillencourt - had public hearing for budget, did not have to raise water & sewer rates as originally thought, "Flipped" movie scenes to be filmed in Village, asked if they could use name "Manchester," recruiting 50's and 60's cars at Legion for street scene, should be filming in July after Chicken Broil, also road scene in Township, also 5 other movies looking at Manchester, Concern about deer population, Vaillencourt sent letter to County about Leonard Preserve deer population, planning reviewing JPC.

Manchester Schools, Ellison - budget disussion, poor outlook for funding based on meeting with Senator Richardville, starting work on Klager changes, Shawn Lewis-Lakin stated at July MACC meeting that Manchester is School of Choice.

Freedom Township, Haussler - discussed wild pig and swine flu situation, Pleasant Lake Inn announced fishing tournament but not permitted by Township code.

Degroot - business venture looking at Pleasant Lake School, working on redoing Zoning Ordinance based on recently approved Master Plan, Open House at Barrett Gravel Pit on June 20, 11AM - 3PM

10. Other Business - none

11. Adjourn - motion by Lewis, seconded by Vaillencourt, meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.

The next regular meeting will be August 12, 2009 – Freedom Township (NO JULY MEETING)

Respectfully Submitted,
Karl Racenis

Approved: 12-Aug-2009

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

July 8, 2009 - NO MEETING

September 9, 2009 - Bridgewater Township Hall

November 11, 2009 - Manchester Comm. Schools

August 12, 2009 - Freedom Township Hall

October 14, 2009 - Village of Manchester

December 9, 2009–Manchester Township Hall