

TENTATIVE
Ada Township Annual Meeting
Saturday March 18, 2006
1:00 P.M.
Ada Township Assembly Hall

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Haga, Clerk Millhuff, Treasurer Pratt, Trustees Sytsma, & Westra.

Recording Secretary: Deputy Clerk Thompson and also present 5 members of the community.

1. **CALL TO ORDER BY SUPERVISOR GEORGE HAGA**
 - A. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 - B. **Moment of Silence**
 - C. **Introduction of Board**

2. **Motion to dispense with reading of minutes:** Moved by Diane Pratt. Second by John Westra. Motion Adopted.
Approval of 2005 Annual Meeting Minutes: Moved by Mischelle Sytsma. Second by Diane Pratt. Motion Adopted.

3. **Community Policing Update:** Deputy Ryan Coil was present to update the community regarding the East Precinct and Community Policing. Deputy Coil requested volunteers for biking patrols and stated activities in Ada Township have been fairly quiet. Deputy Coil mentioned that numerous homes were broken into this past year but the person was caught. Deputy Coil gave an overview of the past year and introduced Deputy William Whiting as the new neighborhood policing officer. Deputy Coil stated there is a township ordinance against solicitors and to take notice in the Spring & Summer when more solicitors come out. He mentioned ordinances in townships such as Cascade, Grand Rapids and Ada may be worded different and Clerk Millhuff and Deputy Coil have

discussed working with other townships to arrange similar times and hours. Deputy Coil suggested calling the East Precinct Dispatch regarding solicitors if citizens should have any concerns or questions.

Deputy Coil announced on Saturday, March 25, 2006 there will be the Ada Business Expo from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, and then on April 4th thru 6th, 2006 at the East Precinct, the Children ID Days will take place with fingerprinting for young children. Deputy Coil asked Deputy William Whiting to share with the community any further comments.

Deputy William Whiting shared his history with the sheriff department for eight years and community policing for seven years which started in Ada. Deputy Whiting stated he started bike patrols with Brian Robinson, another officer in Ada six years ago, along with educating the public regarding ADT and putting alarms in the homes of the elderly for safety. Deputy Whiting mentioned he had worked with neighbor hoods and Neighborhood Watch in other areas where he had been assigned, and changes had been made in the area he was in prior to Ada Township. Deputy Whiting stated they are taking applications for volunteer bike patrols which are available through the East Precinct.

Supervisor Haga and Clerk Millhuff welcomed Deputy Whiting back to Ada Township.

4. Correspondence-

1. Supervisor's Report which included:

1. Annual report from Fire Station
2. History of building permits and summary of building permit activities which were put together by the Assessor and the 2005 SUV and tax assessment brochure. A copy of the budget is available to the community.

2. **Clerk's Annual Report**-Clerk Millhuff distributed the Annual Clerks Activity Report (which is on file with the 2005 minutes).
3. **Treasurer Update**-Treasurer Pratt distributed the Treasurer's Tax Collection Report (which is on file with the 2005 minutes).

5. **OLD BUSINESS**-None Presented.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**-
Clerk Millhuff stated passport services were introduced July 2005 in the Clerks Office and fees from this service supplements the general fund and offers a great service to the community. The total amount generated from July 2005 to present (March 17, 2006) was 230 passport execution fees totaling \$6,900.00.

7. **GENERAL COMMENT**-
 1. Supervisor Haga gave an update regarding sewer and water main breaks up in Adacroft Commons this past week.
 2. Nina Harrington thanked the township board for their support of the Averill Historic Museum and stated the days and times the museum is open inviting everyone to visit.
 3. Joe Niedzwiecki, a resident of Ada Township, asked if more radar on Knapp near Grand River could be placed by the Sheriff's department. Deputy Whiting stated he would put this request on a list to be done.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:** 1:26 pm Moved by Mischelle Sytsma and supported by Diane Pratt. Yes: 11 No: 0

Deborah Ensing Millhuff, CMC
Ada Township Clerk

**** All Public Welcome & Encouraged to Attend –
This is YOUR Meeting****