

GENESEE COUNTY CLERKS AND TREASURERS ASSOCIATION MEETING
JUNE 5, 1991, 12:00 P.M., BOSLEY'S RESTAURANT

ATTENDANCE: 24

The Meeting was called to order at 12:45 P.M. by President Don Becker.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Becker said the next meeting will be held at Crossroads Village. Members should go to the ticket booth and tell the attendant you are with the Genesee County Clerks and Treasurers Association. Lunch of your choice can be purchased at the restaurant, at a cost of approximately \$2.00 to \$5.50, and then taken to the Mill Street Warehouse for the meeting.

In September we will meet on September 11th, due to the Convention in Washington. At that meeting we will have our guest speaker give a presentation on the gypsy moth problem in Genesee County.

MTA will meet at Grand Blanc Township on the 3rd Thursday of June at 7:30 P.M.

Moved by Sadler, Supported by Leipmann to cancel the August meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Vienna Township has tickets available for the Valley Downs at the Saginaw County Fair for June 26th. Anyone interested, contact Vienna Township.

Bryce McGinnis invited everyone to attend a 50th Wedding Anniversary Party for he and his wife on June 22, 1991 at 2:00 P.M. at the Davison Senior Citizens Center.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Becker said at the Treasurer's Meeting with Amede Hungerford, he was told that the Special Assessment Roll was ready to be picked up at the Equalization Department.

Mr. Becker noted that the Airport Authority is asking for units of government to collect 1/2 mill. He is uncertain if this procedure is legal.

The Summer Taxes are on line to come out a little earlier this year.

The Parks and Recreation Commission is having a cash flow problem. The County will probably not give them any money. The Genesee County Treasurer's Office will have to separate the checks prior to the Parks & Rec receiving any money. Possibly separate check could be broken down and sent to the County.

Bryce McGinnis said he doesn't understand why it takes such a long time to get the checks to the banks. If we start sending separate checks, we will then be asked to send separate checks to Mott Community College, Airport Authority, Schools and Parks. This procedure throws all the work back on the local governmental units.

Others expressed their concerns about having to write separate checks for other areas also.

Mr. Becker said Rose Bogardus, Genesee County Commission, started the gypsy moth program in this area. At the September meeting we will discuss whether or not the program should be continued.

Rose Bogardus said Thetford Township has a program, as does Flint. May is when they have hatched out. One subdivision in Thetford Township has been sprayed and was 60% effective.

Mr. Becker asked what the cost was for spraying.

Mrs. Bogardus replied it was \$1,400.00.

Further discussion was held regarding the procedure for detecting the gypsy moths.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE.

GUEST SPEAKER: Frank Berenbraker, Investigator at Genesee County Humane Society
Carl Leipmann introduced Mr. Berenbraker.

Mr. Berenbraker said he retired from the Flint Police Department in 1984 and has been with the Humane Society since last year. He said his position is the animal cruelty investigator. He said he was not aware of all the Humane Society Laws, even after being in Law Enforcement for a number of years. He said the laws are not publicized too much. There are about 500 complaints per year and only about 10% are factual but there are some things that should be reported and are not. Mr. Berenbraker gave examples of some animal cruelty. Many people do not know the Humane Society Laws exist and we need a better teaching faction. Genesee County is the only County who has a Cruelty Investigator.

There is no trespass law of animals on the books. If a Police Officer shoots a dog and doesn't kill it, they are subject to a fine. Mr. Berenbraker cited a case. In dealing with neighbor problems, most of the time after the investigation, I tell them what has to be done, what to expect and this will satisfy them. Many people have low income and cannot properly care for their animals, but love the animal. These people just need a talking to and a little understanding and they take care of the animals.

Should anyone have any problems in their areas, please feel free to contact my office.

Mr. Becker asked how long it takes to go through the Courts on the cruelty charges. Mr. Berenbraker said it depends on the seriousness of the individual case.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:25 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl M. Ladd, CMC

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Secretary/Treasurer

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Beginning Balance	\$ 34.30
Guest Speaker Lunch	- 5.50
Postage	- 14.50
Dues	+ 18.00
Ending Balance	\$ 32.30