

SHERIDAN TOWNSHIP -MECOSTA COUNTY

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****APPROVED****

MINUTES: February 11, 2016- 7:00pm Supervisor Darwin Denslow called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with the pledge to the flag. Roll call shows present Darwin Denslow, Christina Martin, Audrey Dubois, Shirley Sprague, and Nora Quisenberry. Also present 5 visitors.

Additions to the agenda: Under New Business: Morton Township Library request for support.

Public Comment: Nola asked us if we saw the Pioneer Paper on FBI Investigation of the Hate Crime. Nola asked about the junk ordinance. Shirley said she checked into it and the Supervisor has to initiate the complaint. Dar will check with the county on both the Costabella Road issue and 17 Mile Road issue.

Minutes: The regular meeting minutes from January 14, 2016 were presented as written. Motion made by Shirley, seconded by Nora to approve the minutes with the following corrections: Under Presentation of the bills IFT should read EFT. Under New Business the tax auditor should be changed to CPA. Under Board Comment the Budget Workshop will be changed from Monday February 22, 2016 to Friday March 4, 2016. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer shows a balance of \$44795.89 in the General fund & \$50,000.00 in the CD Account. Winchester Special Assessment balance of \$1843.97, and Lackies Birch Haven #1, #2, #3, and #7 Special Assessment balance of \$3092.28. Motion made by Dar, seconded by Christina to accept all treasurers' reports as presented. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS by Clerk: Checks 9679 thru 9698 and 1 EFT totaling \$9447.96 and check #1251 for Lackies Birch Haven for \$375.00 were presented for payment. Motion made by Shirley, seconded by Dar to pay all the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Assessor's Report: A verbal and written report was given. Motion made by Shirley, seconded by Dar to accept the assessor's report as presented.

Correspondence:

Mecosta County Board of Commissioners minutes from 1/21/16.

Notice from Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs for a new Michigan Liquor Control License for The New Tubbs Lake Resort LLC. Dar will invite the owner, Ronald De Mott, to come to the next meeting to discuss his business plan.

Michigan Chloride Sales, LLC quote for dust control. Our dust control is coordinated and contracted thru the Mecosta County Road Commission.

Old Business:

Assessor's Contract is tabled until the next meeting.

Nora spoke with Kurt Helmer and the Strong Cemetery bid is still good. Nora will let Kurt know to schedule us in and see if they could get it done before Memorial Day.

Computer for Clerk and Treasurer tabled until budgeted in at annual meeting. Audrey mention that we need to make sure the computers will support doing the website.

Emergency Exit signs. Remus Electric quote for \$765.00 plus \$110.00 for additional work on a ballast and 3 way switch. Motion was made by Christina, seconded by Nora to have Remus Electric do all the work as presented on their quote. Roll Call was taken: 5 Aye/ 0 No. Motion carried.

Petition for Grant of Electric Service Franchise for Homeworks Tri-County Electric Cooperative was presented. Shirley pointed out that the Petition was for a revocable franchise. They will be at our March meeting to answer any questions and have us present their Petition for a vote.

New Business:

Josh has informed Christina that he has been too busy to keep up our internet website. Tim Moslener, Director of Technology at City of Big Rapids, can take over the website hosting for \$100.00 per year. Motion was made by Shirley, seconded by Nora to have him host our website. Motion carried. Christina mentioned that when she talked to him he recommended renewing our sheridantownship.com domain name for the maximum number of years. Christina will work with Tim to get an easy to use web design program so that we can put information on the website.

Audrey checked with townships comparable with MTA to check on average wages. Discussion on keeping the Treasurer's and Clerk's wages equal. Last year the Clerk's wages were kept the same.

Ordinance 2016-01 for Supervisor's salary was presented. Motion made by Audrey, seconded by Shirley for Supervisor's wages to be \$11,000.00. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted: 3 Aye & 2 No. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 2016-02 for Treasurer's salary was presented. Motion made by Audrey, seconded by Christina for Treasurer's wages to be \$16,000.00. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted: 5 Aye & 0 No. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 2016-03 for Clerk's salary was presented. Motion made by Audrey, seconded by Shirley for Clerk's wages to be \$16,000.00. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted: 4 Aye & 1 No. Motion Carried.

Ordinance 2016-04 for Trustee's salary was presented. Motion made by Audrey, seconded by Shirley for Trustee's wages to be \$2561.82. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted 5 Aye & 0 No. Motion Carried.

New Business continued: Discussion was made on setting new fees for Fire Runs for 2016. Per our earlier discussion with Terry Vogel, we will be charged \$1,000.00 after our allotment of runs. We are currently charging \$450.00. Christina will check with Amy at Sweeney-Holbeck-Edison Agency to check on customary fees associated with fire runs. Amy works there and is also the Township Treasurer for Wheatland Township.

Shirley talked about setting up fees for mortgage companies and finance charges on overdue invoices. After discussion, Shirley will look into it more.

Public Comment:

Board Comment: We had discussion on changing the order of the meeting. We will put the Assessor's report after the Call to Order so Gail can do her back up and not have to set thru the whole meeting. Audrey also mentioned that some of the townships do their Annual Meeting the same day as their Regular Meeting after they adjourn it.

Motioned by Shirley, seconded by Nora to adjourn at 9:15 pm. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Written by:

Christina L. Martin

Christina Martin, Sheridan Township Clerk Dated: February 12, 2016