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**MINUTES: August 4, 2016** Supervisor Darwin Denslow called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the pledge to the flag. Roll call shows present Darwin Denslow, Christina Martin, Audrey Dubois, Shirley Sprague, and Nora Quisenberry. 11 visitors present.

**Additions to the agenda:** Under New Business: Board of Review, Election Wages, Deputy Clerks, and Disposition of Township property.

**Assessor's Report:**

**Public Comment:** Karen Turnbull: Adam Cornell's facility project. Nola Schlachter: Reflector Signs on 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Jerrilynn Strong: County Budget and EMS Director. Karen Turnbull: Thank you to Christina Martin. Audrey: Questions about Board of Commissioner Minutes.

**Minutes:** The regular meeting minutes from July 7, 2016 were presented. Motion made by Dar, seconded by Audrey to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried. Minutes from the June 20, 2016 Special Election Meeting were presented. Motion made by Dar, seconded by Shirley to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** The Treasurer shows a balance of \$110,048.62 in the General fund & \$50,000.00 in the CD Account. Winchester Special Assessment has a balance of \$2,145.28, and Lackies Birch Haven Special Assessment has a balance of \$3,442.98. Motion made by Christina, seconded by Audrey to accept all treasurers' reports as presented. Motion carried.

**PRESENTATION OF THE BILLS by Clerk:** Checks # 9808 thru # 9823 and 5 EFTs, Check #1074 and #1075 for Winchester Subdivision, all totaling \$9,182.30. Motion made by Shirley, seconded by Nora to pay all the bills as presented. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Mecosta County Board of commissioners Minutes 07/07/16 and 07/21/16, and Mecosta County Township Association Minutes.

**Old Business:** Credit Card for the Township was discussed. Motion was made by Christina, seconded by Audrey to accept the Credit Card Use Policy Resolution. Upon a roll call vote 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

**New Business:** Dar indicated that we will need new Board of Review members. George Charlie will be stepping down because of his limited time he is here as well as Harry Hardenburgh due to the Trustee position he will be filling. The board questioned if Danny Hopkins would also have to step down because his wife would be filling the other Trustee Position. George introduced Michel Oliver to the Board and he said he was interested in one of the vacancies. Shirley asked if there had been any others interested in serving? Christina talked with Lyle Wyatt and he may be interested also. We will put notice on the website that anyone interested in serving as a Board of Review member should contact Darwin Denslow. Christina asked the surrounding townships what they are paying for election worker/chairman

after hearing that Wheatland Township was paying \$15.00 per hour/worker and \$17.00 per hour/chairman. She contacted 7 surrounding townships and the average of all of them were \$11.99 and \$14.00 for chairman. Shirley said that we have not looked at their wages in quite some time. Christina said that wages have been the same for at least 10 years. In having qualified, trained, and dependable election inspectors, Christina felt that we needed to at least be competitive with the wages of the surrounding townships. Christina and Audrey will not be part of the vote due to them both serving as inspectors in the future. Shirley asked that we further discuss this matter at the next meeting so Christina can get more information from the Clerks she hadn't heard back from.

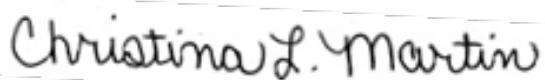
Christina also introduced Jill Sharp as her second deputy Clerk. Christina gave Jill Sharp her oath on August 3, 2016. Barbara Buskirk will also remain a deputy Clerk. Barb was unable to serve in the last election due to her running for the Supervisor's position. Christina said they both are a great addition!

Christina let the Board know that she did major cleaning of the office area and that there were items that needed to be dispersed of. There were benches, a table, an unused broken old safe, a dot matrix printer, old books, milk house heaters, calculator, old computer and a monitor that could probably go if they are not being used and taking up a lot of space. Motion was made by Christina, seconded by Nora to take open bids and if there was not a bid they would be donated to God's Helping Hands. Motion was rescinded by Christina, seconded by Nora to not post the items. In discussion, God's Helping Hands has to come and look at the items to see if they are willing to take them. We would have to have them come first. Shirley and Christina will get together and determine exactly what items need to go.

**Public Comment:** N/A

**Board Comment:** Christina thanked all of the candidates that ran for the Sheridan Township Board Positions in the August 3, 2016 Election. Dar asked Christina if the election results for the township could be posted after the next election. Christina will do that. Johanna Hopkins will help us see if the safes can be opened in the back room after the meeting.

Motion made by Dar, seconded by Nora to adjourn at 7:59 pm. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned. Written by:



Christina Martin, Sheridan Township Clerk Dated: August 5, 2016

Supervisor-Darwin Denslow	Treasurer- Shirley Sprague	Clerk- Christina Martin
Trustees- Nora Quisenberry & Audrey Dubois.		