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****UNAPPROVED****

MINUTES: May 9, 2013 – 7:00pm

Supervisor Darwin Denslow called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with the pledge to the flag. Roll call shows present Darwin Denslow, Ginger Sherman, Shirley Sprague, Audrey Dubois and Nora Quisenberry. Also present 7 visitors.

Additions to the agenda: under New Business a letter per Nora.

Minutes: The regular meeting minutes from May 9, 2013 were presented as written. Tabled until next meeting. Motion by Shirley, seconded by Audrey to table for further review until July meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Nola asked about tree cutting at cemetery: All board members were called for prior approval as two ash trees needed to be cut down and removed rather than just the one that was approved at the prior board meeting. All members approved with the cost to be \$500. for the two ash trees to be removed. (In the end 3 trees were cut down and removed – no charge for third tree) per F & B Stump Grinding and Tree Removal.

Bob Charlie mentioned that Tucker Communications brought in a mediator and that he still has no trouble, very good customer service at the cost of \$49.95 per month and \$5. Per month when out of town in winter.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer shows a balance of \$212,122.86 in the general fund account and a CD worth \$60,000. Treasurer's report for Winchester Subdivision Special Assessment Account \$1857.73. Treasurer's report for Lackies Birch Haven #1, 2, 3, & 7 Special Assessment account balance shows \$2188.28. Motion was made by Darwin, seconded by Audrey to accept all treasurers' reports as presented. Motion carried.

Presentation of the Bills: Checks #9134 thru 9147 and 3- EFTs for Verizon accounts and EFTPS payroll taxes were presented for the General Fund account totaling \$8724.46. Two checks were presented for Winchester Sub Special Assessment account in the amount of \$620. No checks were presented for Lackies Special Assessment account. Motion was made by Darwin, seconded by Audrey to pay all the bills as presented. Motion carried. It was noted that this is 1st month with Quick Books Payroll reports for EFTPS monthly payment for payroll taxes looks great, and Ginger noted that many changes were made to payroll reductions per the new program.

Assessor's Report: Judy McNatt gave a written detailed sales report to review and building permits reported. Motion by Shirley, seconded by Ginger to accept the assessor's report as presented. Motion carried.

Dave Dowell was in attendance and Darwin asked him if he would be interested in doing foundations for Strong Cemetery. He said he would let us know more after he talks to Jack Bark Sr. to get some more information. Dave was meant with many comments of how he is doing a GREAT Job.

Correspondence: Reviewed in detail and noted important facts within: MTA faxes, County Commissioners Minutes, and Library Minutes. Sheriff statistics and Planning Commission Minutes were not available. Copies were also available for the public to review.

Old Business: none.

New Business: Household Hazardous Waste: We only support them when they are at the Senior Center and this year the collection site is at the Big Rapids fair grounds which we believe is too far for our residents.

Township hall Roof Estimates: We received two bids: One from JBS Contracting for \$11,190.00 and one from Kurt Helmer for \$9790.00 for an exposed fastener steel roof both being comparable bids. There were questions about the warranty on the steel? And Timeframe? Ginger made a motion to go with Kurt Helmer for the estimated cost of \$9790.00. Seconded by Nora; roll call vote: all ayes, 0-nays. Motion carried.

Nora wrote a letter she read aloud to all. Pertaining to getting agendas out earlier at least three days before board meetings...and the board discussed adopting a resolution for this reason so that agendas were received in a timelier manner this is something that has not yet been done. Nora also commented on board packets not having check numbers printed on the check register report sometimes. Which Ginger noted was inaccurate due to the fact that if and when a register report is put out without check numbers (due to not having printed the checks yet) that a revised check register is always given out with check numbers on it at the board meeting to each member and that the treasurer always gets a duplicate copy of all checks that have been printed besides the register reports.

Public Comment: Nola noted that it was important to get agendas out earlier.

Board Comment: Light on flag pole in cemetery after checking if a flag is flown 24/7 it must be illuminated properly. Darwin had checked on some pricing at Lowe's and said there was one that just pokes in ground for \$15 or a solar panel one made for a flag pole for \$30. Nora made a motion. Seconded by Ginger to purchase the Solar light made for the flag pole. Motion carried.

Darwin mentioned that it was June 13 and we still had not received any brine on the roads in our township yet. Ginger noted that (she lives on a dirt road) and that we had not needed it up until now due to the amount of rain we have had since we approved the contract at our last board meeting.

Adjourn: Motion by Shirley to adjourn meeting, Seconded by Ginger. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 8:16pm.

Written By: *Ginger Sherman, Clerk* Ginger Sherman, Sheridan Township Clerk

Dated: June 20, 2013