

WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Monday March 7, 2016

Supervisor Jim Deming called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Board members present were Supervisor Deming, Clerk Fritz, Treasurer Munn, Trustees – Bennett and Thole.

A motion was made by Treasurer Munn and supported by Clerk Fritz to approve the agenda for March 7, 2016. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Clerk Fritz and supported by Treasurer Munn to approve the consent agenda for the March regular board meeting along with the financial report and monthly bills for March. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Munn as follows: General Checking: \$24,083.08; General Savings: \$69,925.44; Tax Checking: \$302,479.55; and Trust and Agency: \$9.23. There was a motion made by Trustee Bennett and supported by Clerk Fritz to approve the Treasurer's Report. The Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence: Midwest Energy sent a message about the Fiber Optics starting to move towards our area. Supervisor Deming would like us as a township to support this. Metro Act/ Telecommunications was also discussed.

Zoning Enforcement: In April we will have to address the issue with the Weeks situation again. We feel that DHS needs to be brought in along with the DEQ if the sewer is running on top of the ground.

Fire and Authority: Next month will be special assessment.

Citizen and Board Comments: There was a complaint of a neighbors dog barking and entering their property, asked for the proper way to handle this, it was suggested to discuss with the neighbors and if you get no where then to call Animal Control. The school in Fulton burning was discussed, it is owned by VDS Farms, this will be further discussed at a future meeting. There is an issue with blue tarps covering roofs, this also need to be addressed in the future. It was discussed that premises throughout the township need to be looked at in the future and brought to the attention of the house owners and see if we (the township as a whole) can help with getting issues resolved. Roads need to have a better eye kept on them to get ahead of upkeep. Make calls to the Road Commission!

Supervisor Deming motioned with a support from Treasurer Munn to close the Regular Meeting and proceed to the Budget Public Hearing.

Business discussed:

Salary Resolutions: Salaries to stay the same for 2016-2017

Fiscal Year Budget Adoption Resolution: Approved unanimously

Discuss/debate/confirm audit firm Flegal & Melnik for 2016-2017: Approved unanimously.

Approve insurance carrier Burnham and Flowers Insurance for 2016-2017: Approved unanimously.

Approve election inspector for 2016-2017- Jason Gatlin, Election Chair; Marlene Sherman, Ferne Skrzypek, Cleo Kain, Jeff Fuller, Melissa Fuller: Approved unanimously.

Authorize Supervisor Deming to make final budget adjustments for 2016-2017 fiscal year by 3/31/16: Approved unanimously.

Approve Appraisal Plus, Ben Brousseau as the township assessor for 2016-2017: Approved unanimously.

Motion to approve meeting dates for Township Board and Planning Commission for posting 2016-2017: Approved unanimously.

Discuss cemetery mowing, two year contract: Approved unanimously.

SCMCCI was approved as our township inspectors unanimously. All inspectors are under the same regulations. We have to use them or we are liable through the state.

June 6th, 2016 at 6:00pm will be the annual meeting with the Kalamazoo County Road Commission.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm by Supervisor Deming supported by Treasurer Munn. Approved.