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Osceola Township Meeting Minutes  
April 8, 2015

The regular meeting of the Osceola Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Steve Karpiak on April 8, 2015, at 7:07 pm in the Osceola Township Meeting room. Board members present were Steve Karpiak, Judy Odgers, Mary Ringler, Aaron Janke, and Don Wareham.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Janke, supported by Wareham to accept the minutes of the March meeting. AVIF

Motion by Karpiak, supported by Ringler to approve the financial reports. AVIF

Motion by Janke, supported by Wareham for payment of the bills totaling \$6456.11. AVIF

Public Comment: Bruce Beaudoin, Dover Road, asked if there were any plans for the monies collect with the road millage. He was informed at this time there are no plans.

Agenda: addition under new business: f. Township insurance

Motion to approve the agenda by Wareham, supported by Ringler. AVIF

Reports:

a. Assessor: The assessor is preparing a binder of the FY 2014-15 property taxes for the office. Karpiak received information on the Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements (AMAR) from the state. This audit will replace the 14 point review previously required by the state.

b. Maintenance: Written report. Motion to purchase a lawn mower and snow blower from Ward's Husqvarna for \$6,119.91 by Karpiak, supported by Janke. AVIF

c. DBVFD: Chief Kokkonen reported that the department had zero calls. He met with Tom Lindeman, the Risk Control officer with the insurance company, to inspect and discuss any issues regarding the fire department. The department must send in the driving record for each person who drives the department's vehicles.

d. First Responders: Written report for March. There were 3 calls, 2 in Dollar Bay., 1 in Torch Lake Twp. 6 EMRs attended the CC EMS conference to satisfy the continuing education requirements. All EMRs attended a CPR recertification class.

e. TCVFD: Written reports for March. There were no calls in March, held the monthly regular meeting, and hosted a DNR wildland fire training.

The department turned in an invoice for \$2300.00 for shoveling out of fire hydrants. Odgers informed the board that the Township paid them \$750.00 last year. Motion to pay the TCVFD \$750.00 for shoveling of the hydrant from 10/01/14-4/30/15 by Janke, supported by Odgers. 4 ayes, 1 abstain (Wareham). Motion carried.

f. TCUB: Karpiak submitted the March, Michigan American bill, water test results from Michigan American and the list of delinquent bills totaling \$13,550.58.

Motion to approve the financial reports by Odgers, approved by Wareham. AVIF

Motion to pay the bills by Karpiak, supported by Janke. AVIF

Mattfolk requested a letter be sent to the current owner of the Trevarrow home informing him that the water service line should be replaced. Karpiak will send the letter.

The TCUB recommended the Board approve Karpiak( starting May 2014); M. Halkola, and D. Wareham (starting May 2015) to serve for an additional 3 years on the TCUB. Halkola will remain chair, S. Klein, vice chair, and L. Pizzi secretary. Motion to approve by Ringler, supported by Wareham. AVIF.

g. Torch Lake Sewer Authority: The agendas for Feb. and March meeting and the minutes for January and February meetings were submitted.

h. Supervisor reports: Karpiak reported on meetings attended held by KEDA, TL Watershed Project, and Western UP Damage Prevention Association.

Karpiak informed the Board that The Country Store and Bakery, LLC located on M-26 in Dollar Bay applied for a liquor license.

#### Unfinished Business:

a. Mason sewage: An email from Sen. Casperson's office stating that the Senator has asked the DEQ budget committee chair to provide \$225,000 toward the Mason sewer project.

UPEA is continuing to search for an appropriate site.

b. 6th Street: Nothing new to report.

c. Ice rink grant: Janke did not have enough time to submit the application. He will continue to look into whatever grants that may become available.

d. Furnace: The Township received 3 bids for a furnace for the office and apartments. A motion by Ringler to purchase the furnace from RC Mechanical for \$23,630.00, supported by Karpiak. AVIF

#### New business:

a. John Hancock Resolution: Motion by Karpiak, supported by Janke to increase employer contribution to the pension plan by \$25.00 per quarter. AVIF

b. Semco Energy Co. Franchise: The Board would like the Township attorney to look the agreement over before signing. Motion to table until the May meeting by Ringler, supported by Janke. AVIF

c. May 5<sup>th</sup> election: Odgers reported that the precincts have been established and the election workers are scheduled.

d. MTA training: A training will be held on May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Magnuson Franklin Square Inn. Karpiak, Odgers, Ringler, and Wareham will be attending.

e. Quick books, payroll: Motion to purchase the 2015 version of Quick Books for doing the payroll by Karpiak, supported by Janke. AVIF

f. Twp. Insurance: Hannula insurance renewal. The rate is locked in for three years.

Motion to adjourn at 8:12 pm by Janke, supported by Ringler. AVIF