



WEESAW TOWNSHIP
New Troy, MI 49119



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 18, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Sandy McKamey at 7:03 p.m.

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all present.
- **ROLL CALL BY CLERK GREEN:** All Members Present: Wanda Green, Jack Jones, Sandy McKamey, Gary Sommers, Michelle Tackitt.
- **B.C. SHERIFF'S DEPT. REPORT:** Sheriff's Dept. Representative, Deputy R. Sullivan, was present. Report was given with the following township stats for the period of 3/1/2016-3/30/15: Complaints: 10; Tickets Issued: 0; Arrests: 0.
- **SET/AMEND AGENDA ITEMS:** Motion by Green, supported by Jones, to approve the Agenda as presented. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
- **HEARING OF PERSONS PRESENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None
- **APPROVE PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Motion by Sommers, supported by Jones, to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes of Wed., 04/20/16 and Special Board Meeting minutes with Atty. Sara Bell of Tue. 05/17/16, as presented. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
- **CORRESPONDENCE PROVIDED TO BOARD:**
 - Michael Selden/MTA and BC Health Dept. – A board member had accused other members of illegal conduct relating to their announcing their candidacy for seeking office at a board meeting. Mr. Selden/MTA, after questioning from a Township resident of this issue, wrote a letter to the resident, providing a copy to Clerk Green, relating that there is nothing illegal for board members to announce their candidacy at a meeting,
 - Gasvoda provided a quote to update the float control at the Wee-Chik Rd. lift station for \$4132.00. Motion by Sommers, supported by Green, to go ahead with the update of Wee-Chik Rd lift station as quoted with a new transducer for the quoted price of \$4132. Because we are purchasing this equipment directly from Gasvoda, we can save 15%. GRSD will assist Gasvoda during the installation with a maximum charge of \$500. Roll call vote, all ayes (Tackitt, McKamey, Sommers, Jones, Green), motion carried
- **OTHER EXPENDITURES:** Board approval of expenditures for the following items:
 - Motion by McKamey, supported by Sommers, to approve \$2,415.38 for camera equipment to The Tech. Roll call vote, all ayes (Sommers, Tackitt, McKamey, Jones, Green), motion carried.
 - Motion by McKamey, supported by Jones, to approve \$3,472.93 to AEP for poles, electricity to Mill Rd. Park. Roll call vote, all ayes (Jones, McKamey, Tackitt, Green, Sommers), motion carried.
 - Motion by McKamey, supported by Green, to approve \$1380.00 to Wolverine Electric for electrical service installation in Mill Rd. Park. Roll call vote, all ayes (McKamey, Tackitt, Green, Sommers, Jones), motion carried.
- **APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLES MONTHLY EXPENDITURES:**
Motion by Jones, supported by Sommers, to approve the expenditures as presented: General Fund \$13,197.26; Fire Dept. \$2,134.56; Ambulance \$2,211.27; Sewer \$3,691.81; other (none); for

a Grand Total of \$21,234.90. Roll call vote, all ayes (Green, Jones, Sommers, McKamey, Tackitt), motion carried

▪ **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

- **Treasurer Report:** Treasurer Tackitt reported it has been quiet. The summer tax bills will be sent out July 1. Any past taxes that are still due have to be paid to the County. She provided the bank balances report.
- **Code Enforcement Officer:** Agenda item discussed out of order. Robert Krauss provided an enforcement report and a letter he had written. Mike Metz, Planning Commission Chair, informed the audience that the criterion for farmers is different than other residents as far as unsightliness. Farmers are given leeway regarding farm implements and such being allowed. Motion by Green, supported by McKamey, to approve and send out the enforcement letter as written. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
- **Fire Dept. Report:** Agenda Item discussed out of order. Verbal report by Assistant Fire Chief Daryl DeRossi: 1 call reported – fire alarm. DeRossi reported the Memorial Day Parade will be held on Sunday, May 29, beginning at the Fire Station at 2:00 p.m.
- **Back to Code Enforcement Officer Agenda Item:** Krauss reported that as of April 14, he had 14 unsigned complaints, 2 self-initiated complaints. He has sent 3 letters to each complainant, each with a tad more bite to it, then the citations will be sent to the properly owner.
- **Building, Zoning, Administrator** – Written report provided by Bob Kaufman. .
- **Planning Commission Minutes:** Minutes provided. A ZBA Public Hearing was held on April 28, 2016, regarding a sign to be installed at the Lutheran Church on Glendora Rd. Variance granted with stipulations.
- **Parks' & Rec. Committee:** The committee met. Sommers indicated that the picnic table at Mill Road needs to repairs. Drawing of placement provided. He recommended that we replace the table with an ADA-compliant table. Sommers suggested that we proceed with the plan for a new picnic table and install a concrete pad to anchor the table in the cement. He will get bids and bring back to the Board for review and vote.
- **Road Committee:** Minutes provided. Sommers indicated that the Road Commission will proceed with the roads graveled last year to sealcoat them in the near future. A New Troy sign was hit on Cleveland Ave. It can be straightened and reused. Handout provided by Sommers from B.C.R.C. The Road Commission is scheduled to provide \$287,200 road work in Weesaw. Weesaw Township will spend \$82,244 in 2016 road improvements.
- **Website Committee:** Report by Mike Metz. Jack Dodds and Metz hope to have the website moved by fall.
- **Drains Committee:** Verbal by Sommers. The Day of Apportionment was held on 5/3/16. Sommers and Jones attended. There was a review of McDanel Drain #352 in the amount of \$28.68 for the Township's share of the assessment (2.294%). There are minor repairs and clean-out for Blue Jay Project. Regarding Molly's Corner drain, Milt Sluder informed Sommers that they had sent a work order to the B.C. Drain Commission., with no response at this time. Three drains are on the list: South of Molly's Corners store, drain inlet on E. and one west side of CA Rd, as well as tube under the road, also one drain inlet on N.E. portion of CA and Glendora Rds. Intersection. It was reported to the Rd. Commission that there is flooding in the yard of a home NW of the horseshoe road configuration in Glendora. Doug Hartzell will get back with us on this. Mr. Sprague, the homeowner in the audience, reported that the water does not drain. There is a proposal to repair. No decision yet. Interested parties will meet out there to see what needs to be done. Water at the corner of Elm and Glendora is trenched to go into another person's yard. McKamey instructed Sommers to hand this issue over to Bob Kaufman for action.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Approve Annual Audit by Kruggel Lawton, CPAs:** Motion by McKamey, supported by Tackitt, to approve the annual audit to be performed by Kruggel Lawton in the amount of \$8500. Roll call vote, all ayes (Tackitt, Sommers, Jones, McKamey, Green), motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **Locate Markers in Glendora Cemetery:** This request was raised by the cemetery sexton. Green called for information from Jarvis Monument, with no response. She will contact again for a bid and information.
 - **Estimate from Schiller's Nursery & Tree Service to trim trees along rear roadway in New Troy Cemetery:** Green sent letters to the two property owners involved receiving a response from one, but not the other. Sommers questioned if the fence is actually on the property line or 2' inside the property as he's been informed. Suggested that the Township have that line surveyed, try a metal detector, or also check with Assessor to see if she can ascertain where the fence is actually located on the map.
 - **Volunteers Requested to Remove Old Decorations on Graves in New Troy Cemetery:** Green asked if there were any volunteers who would like to help improve the appearance of the cemeteries by removing old, faded decorations in the cemeteries. Those who had volunteered previously were Gary and Carolyn Sommers, Elizabeth Palulis, Skip and Wanda Green. Michelle Tackitt volunteered also.
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** The meeting with Atty. Sara Bell was informative as reported by a resident who attended.
 - Body cameras were suggested for Robert Krauss and Bob Kaufman. Motion by McKamey, supported by Jones, to check on the price for body cams and bring back to the board. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried. Robert Krauss requested that the Township Board provide magnetic decals to identify his automobile when he is driving through the Township and working on issues relative to enforcement. Motion by Green, supported by Tackitt, what we approve Robert Krauss getting prices on the decals and purchasing them at a price up to \$300. Roll call vote, all ayes (Jones, Sommers, McKamey, Tackitt, Green), motion carried. For hardship housing information, contact Bob Kaufman.
 - **ADJOURN:** Motion by McKamey, supported by Green, to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Wanda Green
Clerk