

**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
FEBRUARY 10, 2020 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL**

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by G. Boudreau, Trustee.

Members present: D. Wellman, G. Boudreau, D. Brown, A Wagner  
Members absent: R. Fountaine. Audience sheet attached.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**5. AGENDA**

Motion, A. Wagner, support G. Boudreau, CARRIED to approve the Agenda.

**6. MINUTES**

Received Minutes: Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2019.

Motion, A. Wagner, support G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to accept the Township Board Regular meeting minutes.

**7. REPORTS**

Received Reports.

- a. Financial Reports January 2020: The Treasurer and Clerk were in balance with the bank.

Motion G. Boudreau, support A. Wagner, CARRIED, to acknowledge the financial reports.

- b. Zoning Administrator Report January 2020:

Motion, A. Wagner, support D. Brown CARRIED, to acknowledge the Zoning Administrator Report.

- c. Assessors Report January 2020:

Motion, A. Wagner, support G. Boudreau CARRIED, to acknowledge the Assessors Report.

- d. Ford River Township Planning Commission 2019 Annual Report.

Motion G. Boudreau, support A. Wagner, CARRIED, to acknowledge the Planning Commission 2019 Annual Report.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- a. Delta Solid Waste Management Authority Meeting Minutes December 17, 2019
- b. Delta Solid Waste Management Authority Annual Meeting Notice January 28, 2020
- c. Ford River Planning Commission Meeting minutes January 9, 2020
- d. Superior Trade Zone Meeting Agenda January 21, 2020
- e. Michigan Sea Grant Lecture

**9. FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**

- a. Fireman's Report December 2019-- Maintenance Reports/Treasurer's report. Brian Nelson, Fire Chief, was present.

Motion, A. Wagner, support G. Boudreau CARRIED, to acknowledge the Fire report.

- b. Fire Chief Updates:  
Maintenance and billing updates.
- c. Fire Calls: 2 for January, both were billed.
- d. MFR inventory sheet was presented. This was a preliminary inventory and will be complete next month.

**10. WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS**

- a. Water System Report January 2020

Motion, A. Wagner, support G. Boudreau CARRIED, to acknowledge the water report.

- b. Water Operator updates.
- c. Billing register.

Motion, A. Wagner, support G. Boudreau CARRIED, to acknowledge the billing register.

- d. Adjustment report explanation was given by D. Brown. There are 3 types of adjustments that can be made, depending on when the adjustment is entered determines where the adjustment will show up. G. Boudreau stated that since the old billing issues no longer exist, adjustment reports are unnecessary paperwork. Clerk to notate next to the line in the register if required.
- e. Water forgiveness:
  - i. Corbett:  
Tabled until next month so The Board can read over the Ordinance to see if there is a possibility of forgiveness under the current Water Ordinance.
  - ii. Shiner/Corcoran:

Motion, A. Wagner, support D. Brown CARRIED to allow a one time exception for a let run at E4883 Hwy M35 for the months of Dec 2019, Jan. Feb. and March 2020. The customer will be billed the flat rate of \$49.00 per month for these months.

- f. SCADA

Motion, A. Wagner, support G. Boudreau CARRIED to purchase the Rockwell PLC and Automation Direct touch screen not to exceed \$12,000.00.

- g. SLC Meter Quote was presented by Rocky Sampson, to replace the Read Center that will be eliminated June 1<sup>st</sup>. 2020.

Motion, A. Wagner, support, D. Brown CARRIED to purchase new hand held, Beacon software, training and support package from SLC Meter not to exceed \$21,000.00.

**11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Budget Workshop is scheduled for March 2, 2020.

**12. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Payment of bills:

Motion G. Boudreau, support, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$13,553.45, Liquor Fund \$ 161.66 and the Water Fund in the amount of \$3569.02.

- b. Deputy Treasurer hours requested to be increased for the current fiscal year.

Motion, D. Wellman, support, G. Boudreau CARRIED to increase Deputy Treasurer extra pay for up to \$600.00 total for the fiscal year, up from the \$400.00 that was originally approved.

- c. Census Day, T. Nelson will contact someone to find out if our internet is adequate to handle this at the Hall.
- d. Term Expiration dates discussion was held and brought to the Boards attention that we are not complying with the law for term dates for the Board of Review.

Motion, G. Boudreau, support, A. Wagner CARRIED to follow the dates set by law by changing the current terms to comply.

**PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENT:**

J. Deloria would like to see the fire hydrants painted. This will be re-visited in the Spring with the Maintenance Dept. There may be a possibility of lead paint.

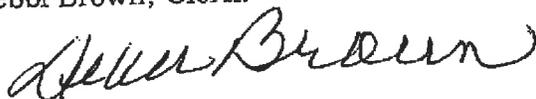
D. Shiner asks about getting a fire number tag for her house. T. Nelson states Ford River Township needs to take the tax role and physically see who is missing and make sure it is right before we can proceed. T. Nelson will speak with Supervisor.

R. Nelson said we have a damaged fence at South Cemetery from the snow.  
D. Brown said our Cemetery posing box at West Cemetery needs to be replaced to do rotting.

T. Nelson would like to put a message on water bills for the Census.

Motion, G. Boudreau, support A. Wagner CARRIED to adjourn at 8:24pm.

Debbi Brown, Clerk:



Approved:

