Ford River Township Regular Board Meeting

December 10, 2018 Ford River Township Hall

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:

Called to order at 7:00 pm by R. Fountaine, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Role Call:

Members present: G Boudreau, A Wagner, R. Fountaine, D. Wellman, R. Zoch

Members Absent: None Audience Sheet attached.

Public Comment On Agenda Items:

None

Approval of Agenda:

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to approve the Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to approve Meeting Meetings

Acknowledgment of Reports:

- A. Financial Report for November 2018
 - a. Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Fountaine, CARRIED to approve Financial Report with a voided check to show balance of two statements.
- B. Zoning Administrator Report of November 2018
 - Move G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to approve Zoning Administrator Report.
- C. Assessor Report November 2018
 - a. Move R. Fountaine, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to approve Assessor Report.

Consent Agenda Items:

- A. UPPCO Report held Tuesday, December 4, 2018, at 10:00 am.
- B. Delta Solid Waste Management Regular Meeting Minutes October 23, 2018.
- C. Ford River Township Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes Nov. 1, 2018.

Fire Department Business:

- A. Received the Fireman's Report, Maintenance Reports, and Treasurer's Report for November 2018. Fire Chief, Brian Nelson was present.
 - a. Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to approved all Fireman's Reports listed in A.

B. Fire Chief Updates:

- a. Boot collected \$26.77, raffle is done, collected \$2,750.00, and all winners have been contacted. The Fire Department was in the Christmas parade and they will share pictures with the Township for the website.
- C. Two Fire Calls in November one billable. One Fire call in Dec Not billable.
 - a. R. Zoch to check the November 9th call to make sure it was billed by past Clerk.

D. MFR

- a. Todd not present due to health issues and other family emergency.
- b. Todd will need a Dr. Note to come back to full First Response duties.
- c. Need more First Responders, brief discussion about putting an ad in the paper. Brian will check into that.
- d. Chris was talked about being a plan B to filling in for Todd's absents

Water System Business:

- A. Water System Report November 2018
 - a. Mark Rose not present due to a medical injury
 - b. E4831/ E4833 Rio will send letter resident to explain the following
 - i. Shuts the water off at the pit
 - ii. Agrees to replace the line (not repair existing)
 - iii. Get a second meter at the second house
 - iv. Letter of intent or bid from contractor by Spring (set up with M. Rose)
 - v. We will bring each house down to \$25 and wave the leak and late fees once they do the above i-iv, as long as payments are on time, and all lines are replaced both houses are brought up to code. A final letter must be submitted to the board before any forgiveness or late fees are voted on to be removed.
- B. Billing Register
 - a. Add Billing Adjustments to Billing Register
- C. 4261/4277 M-35, Past Ditch Issue
 - a. Records were pulled and reviewed and Township fulfilled their duties the land owner never moved the dirt. R. Fountaine will notify the Board if anything further is addressed by land owner.
- D. DEQ-PFAS Drinking Water
 - a. The report appears that everything passes if anyone has questions about the report they should contact Mark directly.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Cemetery-Burial Right vs Deed
 - a. Motion to Approve Deed to Burial Rights Certificate or Deed to Certificate, R. Fountaine, second, G. Boudreau, CARRIE to approve the motion.

B. Hall Rental

- a. R. Zoch to type up a new Hall Rental agreement to update the removal of the phone line and make a non-refundable deposit that go towards the hall rental to hold the hall for the intended future date.
- b. Also look at the current finances to make sure current rates covering Townships expenses before next budget meeting.
- C. Board Appointments: Planning Commission & ZBA
 - a. ZBA
 - i. Jim Ciminskie alternate, Ray Fettig board member, 3 yr term
 - 1. Motion to Appoint, R. Fountaine, second, G. Boudreau, MOTION passes.
 - b. Planning Commission 7:31 pm
 - i. Ray Livingston chairman 3 yr term
 - Motion to Appoint, R. Fountaine, support, G. Boudreau, MOTION passes.
- D. Verizon Contract: New Phone #'s
 - a. A. Wagner, Treasurer stated her new Twp Cell # 906-399-0089 which replaces her previous #906-399-5876
 - b. Clerk cell is the Township Hall landline 906-786-8532
- E. Roof-Heat Strips
 - a. Pricing was giving \$42.86/mo but too late in the year to install due to current weather conditions. We will keep the estimate and compare the cost vs. manual removal. Current OSHA Safety was checked into and proper gear is being purchased.

New Business:

- A. Payment of Bills 7:34 pm
 - a. Motion to Pay bills, support, G. Boudreau, R. Fountaine, MOTION passes.

i. GF total: \$11,459.65

ii. WF total: \$4,056.65

B. Audit

a. Audit not back yet. Revenue sharing may be withheld due to audit not being compliant but not certain. Our Accountant (Mr. Bruce Dewar) interprets the accounting principals differently than the past auditor which believes the water and general fund should not be seperate which is delaying the audit. A. Wagner and R. Fountaine will communicate during the current audit and R. Fountaine will sign reports in place of Clerk R. Zoch due to currently being new to the Township November 19th, 2018. Audit paperwork will be drawn up within the next 10 days to meet the December 25th deadline and the F-65 will will be filed at a later date.

C. Training Pay

- a. All Township Boards(Planning Commission, ZBA, BOR, & Township Board) approved Training and workshops. Receive \$50.00 per half day (4 hours or less) and \$100.00 per day (over 4 hours). Meals will be reimbursed up to \$10 when over 4 hours including travel time. Township pays \$0.545 per mile for all attendees that are on official township business (Dec 2018).
 - i. Motion, R. Fountaine, support, G. Boudreau, DISCUSSION, MOTION passes.
- D. PC 2019 Meeting Dates
 - a. Motion to acknowledge Resolution PC 2019 meeting dates, R. Fountaine, support, G. Boudreau, Motion passes.

Public and Board Comment:

- A. Board of Review Meeting December 11th, 2018
- B. Dennis Jahnke had questions about Hall rental, if someone wanted to rent the hall say next weekend and has cash can they rent it if no one else is renting it.

Meeting Adjournment:

A. Motion to adjourn, G. Boudreau, support A. Wagner, MOTION passes to adjourn. 7:51 pm

Rio Zoch, Clerk (

Approved 01/14/2019