

**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
November 13, 2017 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL**

Called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Gary Boudreau, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Members absent: None

Audience sheet attached.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**AGENDA**

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

**MINUTES**

Received Minutes:

Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes – September 2017

Special Meeting Minutes – Clerk’s Resignation

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

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to approve the Special Meeting Minutes.

**REPORTS**

Received Reports.

- a. October 2017 Financial Reports: The Treasurer and Clerk were in balance with the bank.

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, L. Hammerberg, CARRIED to acknowledge the financial reports.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1. Notice of Hearing from UPPCO
- 2. Superior Trade Zone Agenda – October 2017
- 3. Delta County Twp. Association meeting – September 2017
- 4. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – October 2017
- 5. Delta Solid Waste Meeting Minutes – September 2017
- 6. Assessor Report – October 2017

**FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**

Received the Fireman’s Report of October 2017– Maintenance Reports/Treasurer’s Report:

- a. Brian Nelson, Fire Chief, was present.

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to the accept the Fire report.

Fire Chief Updates

- a. Fire Department received a turn down letter by the Federal Government for AFG (Assistance to Firefighters Grant) application for gear.
- b. New Member – Zack Denome

- c. Fire Chief talked about the ad in the paper about the communication study for the communication errors with pagers and radios with 911. They are working on a plan to resolve the issues. It is a going to take a couple of years to finalize.
- d. The Fire Chiefs of Delta County are looking at going with automatic aid. All surrounding areas would be called out at the same time. Fire Chief said it would increase the calls.
- e. The Fire truck is still on order and Riverside will contact Brian when it is ready for pick-up.
- f. The Fire Department was awarded the Hannahville 2% Grant for \$4,100.
- g. Rachael created a fire call spreadsheet to track what was billed, paid and what category they are under. Rachael requested the Clerk go through and update the spreadsheet. It will be put on the drive in the future.
- h. The Pancake Breakfast was a success a profit of over \$2000.00. The bake sale made over \$600.00.

### **MFR**

- a. Todd Holland gave MFR report.
- b. 116 MFR Calls in through October 2017.

### **WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS**

- a. Water report accepted.
- b. Mark noted the generator was serviced by the Cummins Diesel under the maintenance plan.
- c. Edge Consulting was on the water tank to take dimensions of the cell tower for Cell Com. Cell Com is looking at updating their system.
- d. Hydrants were flushed, 115,000 gallons of water was used for flushing. There was a full tank the whole time.
- e. New Billing Register discussed, there are many issues that are being addressed to get it complete and correct.
- f. Bill Nelson repaired their water line. The Board decided to forgive Bill Nelson's past due amount due to a water leak \$102.36.
- g. Jamison Gould had a water leak and has a balance due from that leak. The Board agreed to revisit this at the next meeting, by that time the line should be replaced and the Board can look at forgiving the owed amount. The Clerk needs to bring the amount owed, less the previous credit on account to the next meeting.
- h. Mark turned in the Dixon Engineering report. The report was \$174,000 and the Board will look at it

Moved R. Fountaine, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to accept the water report.

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Fountaine, CARRIED to forgive Bill Nelson's past due amount due to a water leak \$102.36

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Written Procedure for Reports & Payroll Voucher – Tabled for next month
- b. The Clerk Lisa Hammerberg has resigned, her last day will be November 30, 2017. A meeting will be held on 11/16/17 for interviews to hire a new Clerk.
- c. The ad for a new Assessor will run in the MI Assessor Association magazine in December 2017 and January 2018. Also, the Board decided to run the ad on the

MI Assessor Association website for \$125 in January for 30 days and an email to the entire membership will be included.

Moved R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED to put an ad on the MI Assessors Association Website in January 2018 for \$125.00.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Payment of bills
- b. DCTA Christmas Party is December 1, 2017.
- c. The Lions Club put up Christmas Tree. The Supervisor called the city to turn on the electric. The bill will be paid out of the Rec Fund.
- d. Election Equipment was selected for 2018. Supervisor will check on when to order the ballot boxes and bring it back to the next meeting.
- e. December BOR will be December 12, 2017 5:30 - 7:30.
- f. Signed Resolution – The Supervisor is applying for a grant for the woodchips for the playground. The Clerk was asked to find the date the playground was installed and when the back-up cameras were installed. Both items are needed for the grant to be submitted.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Fountaine, CARRIED to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$29,614.27 and the Water Fund in the amount of \$5,284.86.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED to pay the electric bill for the Christmas Tree out of the Rec Fund.

Roll Call Vote: Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to submit the grants for the woodchips.

Aye: R. Fountaine, A. Wagner, G. Boudreau, D. Wellman, L. Hammerberg

Nay: None

Absent: None

**PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT**

Russ Nelson inquired about Jamie Webber's paycheck. Treasurer had it to send to him.

Brian Werner was present and is doing the snowplowing. He had questions on the road by the water tower. Mark Rose met with him after the meeting.

The Treasurer asked about anything to be added to tax letter.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Fountaine, CARRIED, to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Lisa Hammerberg, Clerk:

Approved:

