

**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 12, 2016 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL**

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

Members present: R. Fountaine, D. Wellman, L. Hammerberg, A. Wagner, G. Boudreau
Members absent: None
Audience sheet attached.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

Received Minutes:

Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes – November, 2016

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to accept the Township Board Regular meeting minutes.

REPORTS

Received Reports.

- a. November, 2016 Financial Reports: The treasurer and clerk were in balance with the bank.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Wagner, CARRIED, to acknowledge the financial reports.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – November, 2016
- 2. Delta Solid Waste Management Authority Meeting Minutes – October, 2016
- 3. Superior Trade Zone Meeting Minutes
- 4. December Assessor Report

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Received the Fireman's Report of November 2016 – Maintenance Reports/Treasurer's Report

Fire Chief Updates

- a. Brian Nelson, Fire Chief, was present.
- b. There were four fire calls.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to accept the fire department report.

- c. The Fire Department was awarded a grant from the DNR for structure gear. The grant is a 50/50 match for \$4719.00 totaling \$9438.00. It will provide 6 sets of pants and jackets.
- d. Hannaville awarded the Fire Department 2 grants one for \$3992.00 and \$5000.00.
- e. Clean-up and organization of the garage for a space for the maintenance man. Rachael is going to research the value of the backhoe for possible sale.
- f. Gene's towing is to haul the tank for scrap.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, The Fire dept. will be matching the grant from DNR for the purchase of structure gear.

- g. Todd Holland gave MFR report.

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

- h. MFR- Board approved 3 MFR responders be reimbursed \$15 for calls just as the fire department personnel are reimbursed for fire calls. This will start January 2017.

WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

- a. November, 2016 water system report was received. Mark Rose was present.
- b. New resident to Ford River has a water leak and it was not disclosed to them by the previous owner. It may go to court.
- c. Customer with leak sought out a plumber but decided to fix it himself.
- d. Tower road received new gravel.

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

- e. Billing Register – Off for McGaffigan due to billing error.
- f. Board decided to shut off delinquent customers.
- g. Board approved Stebbins for an 18-month payment plan of \$83.33 in addition to his monthly bill.
- h. Dixon – approved to robotically inspect tanks. Price \$2,500
- i. Water billing software update for Utility Billing. Table till next month.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to give Stebbins 18 month payment plan for \$83.33.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, L. Hammerberg, CARRIED, to hire Dixon to robotically inspect tanks.

- j. There has been no progress on the rate study. Take off and visit in future.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Cemetery – Wanic Davis will hold off on marking the West Cemetery until spring. They may have to make a new map but does not need to move anything.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Fontaine, CARRIED, to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 13,865.71 and the Water Fund in the amount of \$ 4793.23

- a. Board of Review - ^{Ryss Nelson} Bill Nelson reappointed, Tom Trudgen Leaving. Dennis Jahnke was appointed to the Board. Janet Hoppe will remain as an alternate.

Moved, R. Fontaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to approve Board of review.

- b. Delor Wellman was reappointed as liaison for the planning commission.

Moved, R. Fontaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to approve Delor Wellman as liaison for the planning commission.

- c. Planning Commission Board meeting dates for the year.

Moved, R. Fontaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to approve Planning Commission dates.

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to adjourn at 7:56 p.m.

Lisa Hammerberg, Clerk



Approved:

