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**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JULY 13, 2015 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL**

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

Members present: Rachael Fountaine, Patty Anderson, Delor Wellman, 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 Agenda.

MINUTES

Received Minutes:

Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes – 6/8/2015

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

REPORTS

Received Reports.

- a. June, 2015 Financial Reports: A. Wagner reported that the treasurer and clerk were in balance.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Fountaine, CARRIED, to acknowledge the Financial Reports.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Assessor's Report of July, 2015
- 2. Ford River Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – July, 2015
- 3. UPPCO – Public Hearing
- 4. Dept. of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Received the Fireman's June, 2015 – Maintenance Reports/Treasurer's Report

Fire Chief Updates

- 1. There is still a leak in the roof in the fire hall.
- 2. Jon with get with the maintenance man about cleaning out the storage building.

3. MFR training is almost complete. It should take another month or so before all things are operational.

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

WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

- a. June, 2015 water system report was received.
- b. Mark will check on the three meters that are still not working.
- c. Estimates of Repair to Lines – 3751 L.15 Lane will cost approximately \$2000.00 to repair. An estimate from Brunette to fix E4638 M-35 was \$800.00 to start an investigation to see where the leak/freeze up is occurring. The cost to go under the highway was not included. Chernick was not willing to give an estimate and DeGrand did not reply. Mark will contact the contractors to get more formal estimates for next meeting.

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

- d. Dixon Engineering – The Township Water System does not have the \$130,000.00 for work suggested by Dixon Engineering. Mark will contact Dixon Engineering to see if they are willing to come up and prioritize what needs to be done now vs what can wait until later.
- e. Water Billing Date – Water billing will be done on the 1st of the month as per the Water System solution. Payments will be due on the 20th of the month.
- f. New Water System Hook Up Policy – There are changes that have been made to this Policy to read “The contractor will be chosen and hired by the customer, but must be approved by the Ford River Township Water Board, prior to work commencing.”

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to approve revisions to the New Water System Hook Up Policy. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted:

Aye: G. Boudreau, A. Wagner, R. Fountaine, D. Wellman, P. Anderson

Nay: None

Absent: None

- g. Water Study – R. Fountaine will make arrangements for Rural Development Water Study to take place this summer.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND UPDATES

- a. Sexton- West Cemetery – Jamie Webber has accepted the position of sexton at the West Cemetery and Russ Nelson has been working with him.
- b. Roads – The Board has received the estimates from the Road Commission to overlay experimental double seal County Road A-33, single seal A-11 and single seal A-24. The cost to the Township will be \$22,500.00.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to accept the estimates and proceed with double seal on A-33, single seal on A-11 and single seal on A-24.

- c. Equalization Agreement – R. Fountaine has provided a up to date agreement which states that the is agreement is for one year and will be re-evaluated at the end of the year. A. Wagner will check into exactly what the Township is getting for their money and provide information at the next meeting.
- a. Set Collection – It was the Board's decision to keep things the way they have previously been done and A. Wagner will be paid at the same rate as previously.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$19,649.77 plus the \$1830.60 for a total of \$17 133.45 and the Water Fund in the amount of \$8,676.75.

- b. Assessor's Contract – The previous contract was through May 1, 2015. The Assessor is asking for a three year contract and the rate of pay as \$12.50 per parcel. Presently, there are 2265 parcels.

Moved, D. Wellman, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to approve Assessor's Contract for three years at the rate of \$12.50 per parcel. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted:

Aye: G. Boudreau, A. Wagner, R. Fountaine, D. Wellman, P. Anderson
Nay: None
Absent: None

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, P. Anderson, CARRIED, to adjourn at 8:07 p.m.

 8/10/15

Patricia Anderson, Clerk

Approved: