

**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 8, 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, P. Anderson
Members absent: A. Wagner, G. Boudreau
Audience sheet attached.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

AGENDA

Moved R. Fountaine, seconded, P. Anderson, CARRIED to approve the Agenda.

MINUTES

Received Minutes:

Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes – July, 2016

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, D. Wellman, CARRIED, to accept the Township Board Regular meeting minutes.

REPORTS

Received Reports.

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

Moved, P. Anderson, seconded, D. Wellman, CARRIED, to acknowledge the financial reports.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – July, 2016
2. Delta Solid Waste Management Authority Meeting Minutes – June, 2016

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

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

Fire Chief Updates

- a. Brian Nelson, Fire Chief, was present.
- b. A blinker control panel needs to be replaced on Unit #1. The cost is \$120.00.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, D. Wellman, CARRIED, to purchase blinker control panel at the cost of \$120.00.

- c. The fire department is working on the storage building.
- d. There is one new member.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, D. Wellman, CARRIED, to accept the fire department report.

- e. There is a confined space class to be held in September. Two members have showed interest in attending this. The class is free but expenses need to be paid. Brian will check on this and other classes and this will be reviewed at the next meeting.
- f. The fire department will be using a Wells Fargo credit card for gas purchases. This just came in and will be given to Brian tonight following the meeting.
- g. MFR report was given. Todd Holland was not present.

WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

- a. July, 2016 water system report was received. Mark Rose was present.
- b. There was a problem with the generator which has been taken care of due to power outage in Escanaba.

Moved, P. Anderson, seconded, R. Fountaine, CARRIED, to accept the water system report.

- c. Billing Register – High readings have been investigated. Many are due to extra water usage for watering gardens and pools. All high readings have been investigated.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, D. Wellman, CARRIED, to accept the billing register.

- d. There is one customer, R. Norton, who has had a leak for the past two months who was sent a letter stating that if the leak was not fixed within 30 days, his water would be turned off. The family has contacted R. Fountaine, asking for a 30 day extension to have this fixed.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, P. Anderson, CARRIED, allowing R. Norton a 30 day extension to have his leak fixed.

- e. The maintenance man has looked at the roof at the tower and believes that the roof does not have to be replaced but can be fixed.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Cemetery – A quote was received from Davis Wanic surveying to survey and mark the graves at the West Cemetery. P. Anderson will try to get another estimate. The book is being worked on. The Cemetery process is also still under review. A. Wagner is looking into whether the sexton needs to be bonded or if the Treasurer will be receiving all monies for sales of plots and burials. This will be further discussed at the next meeting.

- b. The West cemetery needs a new lawnmower. M. Krause presented three price quotes. Upon discussion, it was decided to purchase a new lawnmower from Four Seasons at a cost of \$1,699.99.

Moved, D. Wellman, seconded, P. Anderson, CARRIED, to purchase a new lawnmower from Four Seasons in the amount of \$1,699.99.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved P. Anderson, seconded, D. Wellman, CARRIED, to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 27,702.74 and the Water Fund in the amount of \$ 10,364.76.

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, D. Wellman, CARRIED, to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.

Patricia Anderson

Patricia Anderson, Clerk

9-12-16

Approved: