

**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 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, 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 – October, 2016

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

REPORTS

Received Reports.

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

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, P. Anderson, CARRIED, to acknowledge the financial reports.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – October, 2016
2. Delta Solid Waste Management Authority Meeting Minutes – September, 2016
3. Superior Trade Zone Meeting Minutes
4. UPPCO – Notice of Meeting

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

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

Fire Chief Updates

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

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

- c. Brian asked approval to sell the old tank for scrap. The tank is not in good shape. Piron's will allow the fire department to put the tank on their property with a for sale sign. Gene's towing may be interested in buying it for scrap metal prices. They have not charged the Township for hauling it to Piron's.

Moved, A. Wagner, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to scrap the fire truck tank.

- d. The money from the scrap of the tank will be put back into the fire department.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to put any monies received from the scrapping of the tank back into the fire department.

- e. There is one new member of the fire department.
- f. MFR – There will be a two day training class at the cost of \$25.00 per person. This will be in March. Todd will check to see who is interested in attending.
- g. Todd has been asked to approach the township requesting that MFR responders be reimbursed for calls just as the fire department personnel are reimbursed for fire calls. Todd will provide more information and this will again be reviewed. This will be added to next month's agenda.
- h. Fire calls are being billed monthly.

WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

- a. October, 2016 water system report was received. Mark Rose was present.
- b. Hydrant flushing was done.
- c. Dixon will be sending a proposal for work on the water system. This will be further addressed at the next meeting.
- d. Stebbins will be sending a letter asking to set up a payment plan for the \$1500.00 hook up costs.

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

- e. Billing Register – The fire hall is still not registering. Mark will check into it.
- f. There was discussion on the Walin residence. The renter moved out in March and therefore, his bill will need to be adjusted to the time he moved out and that bill will be sent to collection. The owner will be billed from that time on for the \$25.00 maintenance fee to keep the residence on the water system.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to accept the billing register.

- g. Two bids were received for work at the water tower. The base proposal was \$554.00.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to hire Master Electric to do work at the water tower.

- h. There has been no progress on the rate study.
- i. The gravel has been put down on the road to the water tower.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Cemetery – Wanic Davis is working on marking the West Cemetery.
- b. Russ Nelson was presented with a plaque in appreciation for all his efforts.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 15,764.24 and the Water Fund in the amount of \$ 2,634.07.

- a. J. Ciminskie is leaving the Board of Appeals and Planning Commission. R. Fountaine proposed that C. Kolinsky be appointed to the Planning Commission and N. Asgaard will be appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to appoint C. Kolinsky to the Planning Commission and N. Asgaard to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED to reappoint D. Wellman as the Planning Commission liaison.

- b. Board of Review will be further discussed at the next meeting.
- c. Lisa Hammerberg will be the new clerk. After discussion, Lisa will take over on 12/1/2016. P. Anderson will be training. The hourly wage will be \$12.00.

Moved, A. Wagner, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to pay a training wage of \$12.00.

- d. P. Anderson will serve as deputy clerk.
- e. AMAR results – The Township assessor did very well.
- f. Board members are invited to the DCTA Christmas Party.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to allow Board members to attend the DCTA Christmas Party.

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to adjourn at 7:54 p.m.



Patricia Anderson, Clerk

12/12/16
Approved: