

**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 9, 2015 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL**

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

Members present: G. Boudreau, R. Fountaine, D. Wellman, C. Coppock, A. Wagner
Members absent: P. Anderson
Audience sheet attached.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

AGENDA

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to approve Agenda with the addition of 12c –Christmas Party.

MINUTES

Received Minutes:

Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes – October, 2015

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

REPORTS

Received Reports.

- a. October, 2015 Financial Reports: A. Wagner reported that the treasurer and clerk were in balance.
- b. Budget – MFR needs to be corrected.

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Assessor's Report of November, 2015
2. UPPCO – Public Hearing.
3. Superior Trade Zone Regular Meeting Minutes – October 27, 2015
4. Delta Solid Waste Management Authority Meeting Minutes – July 28, 2015 and September 22, 2015

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

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

Fire Chief Updates

1. Brian Nelson was present in Jon's absence.

2. MFR should be active this week with driver's training with Rampart. Brian reported that any driver's liability would be covered by Rampart.
3. The Fire Department is looking for volunteer firefighters and medical first responders. This will be noted on tax bill.
4. A poster was received from the American Red Cross. They are willing to inspect and check batteries on smoke detectors free of charge for residents over 60 years of age. The firefighters will be working on this. The Red Cross provides a liability form to be completed at the time of inspection.
5. Brian would like to purchase 10 pagers at the cost of \$350.00 each with ½ of the expense coming from the Fireman's Fund and ½ from the Township. Will need to verify monthly and quarterly expenses to see if budget will allow it.
6. Raffle tickets are still available.
7. Bracelets are available as a fund raiser to help Jon with medical expenses.

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

WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

- a. October, 2015 water system report was received
- b. Mark updated the progress of Bradford Excavating in repairing the three lines. Lund has been completed.
- c. Mark has worked on heat system at the water tower.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to accept the water system report.

- d. Billing Register – Seasonal shut offs are still registering water. These need to be changed back to \$39.00 until no water usage is seen. Patty will check on this.
- e. Allen Erickson and Marlene Whitlock have same address.
- f. Patty called on some accounts. We will check with her as to why. Shut off list will be updated. Shut offs will be done within the next ten days. Mark and Amanda will work on this.

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

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to update the shut off list with the addition of three customers.

- g. Dixon Engineering – As of right now, Dixon's estimate is \$130,000.00 for work to be done at the Ford River Water elevated Tank. The Township is not ready at this time to proceed with the actual work.
- h. Generator – A Proposal has been received from Cummins NPower, LLC in the amount of \$5,673.20 for a five year plan. Mark will get a quote for one year. Maintenance should be done every year. The Agreement can be cancelled at any time.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to approve accepting the five year Planned Maintenance Proposal from Cummins NPower. R. Fountaine will sign agreement.

- i. Rate study is being updated.
- j. C. Ryno is asking forgiveness of water bill in the amount of \$341.80. The leak has been fixed. A packet will be put together for the next meeting with information regarding the account.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND UPDATES

- a. Equalization Agreement – R. Fountaine reached out to Ryan. There has been no progress on that. This will be tabled until the next meeting.
- b. CUPPAD – Adoption of Delta County Hazard Mitigation Plan – Update – Most of the money for this will come from grants.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to adopt the Delta County Mitigation Plan for Delta County. Upon a roll call vote, the following voted:

Aye: G. Boudreau, A. Wagner, R. Fountaine, D. Wellman, C. Coppock

Nay: None

Absent: P. Anderson

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Payment of bills : It is noted on the bill from Accident Fund that there is a charge for terrorism which was not approved by the Board and is not needed. P. Anderson will look into that.

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Fountaine, CARRIED, to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$17,471. 46 after checking into the charge for the terrorism clause and the Water Fund in the amount of \$1,944.96.

- b. R. Fettig was appointed to the Planning Commission at the last meeting and will start in January. D. Tryan will continue until that time. There is now a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals. An ad will be in the paper this week.
- c. Reservation for The Township Association Christmas Party need to be called in by 11/27/2015. This will be held on 12/4/2015.

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to adjourn at 7: 55 p.m.

Patricia Anderson

Patricia Anderson, Clerk

12/14/15

Approved: