

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 9, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Onondaga Township Board was called to order on February 9, 2017 at 7:30 PM. The location for this meeting was 4756 Baldwin St. Onondaga, MI. We said the pledge and had a moment of silence.

Present were, Trustee Jim Tow, Clerk Diane Johnson, Supervisor Steven Dwight and Treasurer Rhiannon Schindewolf-DeShais. Trustee Mary Jane Hector was absent. Present also were 12 citizens

SET AND/OR AMEND THE AGENDA

Diane asked to have e-mail boxes added. Rhiannon made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Jim seconded. All Ayes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

The Leslie Library requested to have the Library Family Fun Day at the park pavilion on August 15th with the 21st being a rain date. Steve made a motion to let the library get the park for free. . Jim seconded. All ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND/OR

Public comment started at 7:34 and ended at 7:34.

We discussed moving new business #1 to this time period.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Sherriff Wrigglesworth spoke on changes he is making in the department. He also gave us his opinion on allowing marijuana operations in Onondaga Township.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Fire Chief discussed his report. Diane made a motion allow him to put two old trucks on the auction. Rhiannon seconded. All Ayes. He explained he needed to have matching funds of \$4900.00 to accept a grant. Diane made a motion allow him the \$4900.00 as expenditure for the matching grant. Rhiannon seconded. All ayes.

TREASURER

Report submitted. The ending balance on January 31 was \$49655.99. She mentioned tax collection will end on Feb 28th.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Jim told they elected officers at the last meeting. Rodger Hector is chairperson, Richard Hoskins is Vice Chairperson, and Matt Austin is Secretary. He also stated the Planning commission is planning a joint training with Tompkins and Rives on the 28th of February if the board approves. The cost will be around \$500.00 each. Rhiannon moved to approve the training. Diane seconded. All ayes. Diane mentioned the training is good for all board members, the board of appeals members, the zoning officer and the planning commission. Steve mentioned there is a conflict with having Rodger on the planning commission and also the zoning enforcement officer. Discussion followed.

CLERK

Diane told of getting W2s out. She stated if anyone has not received them to get with her. Some have already been replaced. She has signed contract with all three counties' school districts. She also attended a clerks meeting which discussed the new election equipment. She also mentioned we were offline for several days and the assessor called Jay to fix it, which Jay waited until the next day to fix the problem when Steve was here. The computers did not work again this week and Jay was out to get them going again. At that time he discussed all the computers will need refurbished and we need to decide who will have e-mail boxes. Diane had the custodian contact Travis Whipple to do some repair work. Diane Ok'd his price. She also gave all board members information on a public meeting about the Grand River Trail. She asked the board if they wanted her to advertise for lawn mowing. They agreed.

ZONING ENFORCMENT

Report submitted.

PARKS

Rhiannon told that the park committee will be meeting starting in April. She told us the DNR grant was denied. She will be resubmitting the application to apply for the Grant again this year. Rhiannon thanked Jim Knighton for the donations and the volunteers he is getting to work for the park trails.

SUPERVISOR

Steve told the Board of Review will be meeting on March 14th from 3-9 and the 16th from 9-3. We discussed publishing. He discussed the master plan. He and the fire chief will attend a meeting on the pipelines. He will also be attending a meeting on the water trail and will be attending the ICCMTA meeting on the 22nd.

TRUSTEES

None

PETITIONS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Rhiannon made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting as presented. Steve seconded mentioning this was the regular meeting. Three Ayes. No Nays. Rhiannon made a motion to approve the minutes of the Masterplan meeting as presented. Steve seconded. Three Ayes, No Nays.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Steve made a motion to approve the bills. Rhiannon seconded. Three ayes, No nays.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS;

None.

NEW BUSINESS;

- 2 AUDITOR CONTRACT; Rhiannon made a motion to accept the contract from Karl Drake, in the investigations I have done in the past, other agencies have been more expensive then what Karl has done for us, I like that this he has come and spent time with us. Diane seconded. All Ayes.
- 3 MEDICAL MARIJUANA; Discussion on what is required, what this board would like to see in Onondaga, and the cost involved. Rhiannon made a motion that we don't do anything about it. Steve gave support. All ayes
- 4 VACANT PROPERTY; Discussion on the cost we have into the properties so far. Diane has been looking into the cost we have into this property but has not found all of the cost so far. Rhiannon made a motion to move forward with talking with Rodger Hector regarding the purchase of this property. Jim seconded. All ayes.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. MTA ANNUAL MEETING; Diane discussed the meeting coming up in April and will need to know by next month's meeting who will be wanting to go and which days they want to attend.
2. E-MAIL BOXES; Discussion on the people that need e-mail boxes at the township. Diane made a motion to have eight e-mail boxes unless the minimum is ten. If there is a minimum then we will have ten. Jim seconded. All ayes

Steve mentioned he has a land division to do.

ADJOURNMENT

Rhiannon made a motion to adjourn. Jim seconded. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm.

Minutes written and submitted by
Diane Johnson,
Onondaga Township Clerk