

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 18, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Tim Murphy.

Present	Tim Murphy	Supervisor
Present	Walter Nelson	Clerk
Present	Lynne Wyatt	Treasurer
Present	Randy Martin	Trustee
Present	Alan Johns	Trustee
Present	Barbara McCollom	Deputy Treasurer
Absent	Ryan Martin	Fire Chief
Absent	Mark Nerbonne	Assistant Chief

Seven others were also present.

Agenda additions: Copier maintenance agreement and ditch ordinance

Motioned to approve Agenda with additions by Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Randy Martin, motion carried.

Motioned by Alan Johns, seconded by Lynne Wyatt, to approve the minutes of December 21, 2009 Regular Meeting, motion carried.

Treasurers Report was given by Lynne Wyatt. Motion by Randy Martin, seconded by Walter Nelson, to accept the treasurer's report, motion carried.

Fire Department Report was given by Lynne Wyatt and Alan Johns: Alan Johns has been in contact with Skip Starling, we need a new fifty year drought study at an estimated cost of \$1,500.00 to \$2,000.00. The fire board recommends paying the monthly bills. The DNR grant for \$88,000.00 will require an \$8,800.00 match plus five percent for the grant writer.

Planning Commission Report by Alan Johns: The planning commission is still working on the ordinance to address complaints on the Chippewa River. The zoning ordinance needs to be updated regarding wind energy. Regarding the sign ordinance, Randy Martin stated the zoning officials in Union Township and the Village of Lake Isabella removes signs that violate their ordinances.

The JCCA had nothing to report.

Motion by Alan Johns, Seconded by Randy Martin to pay the General Fund (\$97,239.82), Fire Department (\$11,096.46) and Payroll (\$6,521.02), roll call vote 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

Unfinished Business: Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to accept the proposal from The Isabella County Road Commission to pave Winn Road from Remus Road to Saratoga Drive, this requires a match of \$150,000.00 from Deerfield Township, roll call vote 5 aye 0 no , motion carried.

Supervisor Murphy announced the assessor will be a township employee effective January 1, 2010.

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New Business: The board reviewed projects for the five year road plan. After review by the planning commission, the plan will be updated at the April Regular Meeting.

Supervisor Murphy presented a rough draft of a plan for a building addition.

The board discussed the maintenance agreement on the old copier; there was no support to renew the agreement.

The ditch resolution requested by the county road commission was postponed.

Lise Mitchell from the Veterans Memorial Library reported on library services and ways of raising revenues to support the libraries.

Public Comments: Dora VanHorn stated she is happy Baseline was paved because of the traffic it takes off River Road. Mrs. VanHorn also stated she uses the library but does not use the curbside recycling the township pays for.

Jenny Wood asked if there any plans to repair Broomfield Road between Gilmore Road and the gravel pit entrance. Supervisor Murphy stated there are no repairs planned at this time.

Motion to adjourn by Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Randy Martin, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk