

**MINUTES  
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18, 2008**

Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Supervisor Tim Murphy.

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| Present: | Tim Murphy     | Supervisor           |
|          | Walter Nelson  | Clerk                |
|          | Lynne Wyatt    | Treasure             |
|          | Dave Garrett   | Trustee              |
|          | Randall Martin | Trustee              |
|          | Tom Hoffman    | Fire Chief           |
|          | Ryan Martin    | Assistant Fire Chief |
|          | Jack Long      | Deputy Treasurer     |

Six others were also present.

Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to approve the agenda with no additions, motion carried.

Motioned by, Randall Martin seconded by Lynne Wyatt to approve the January 21, 2008, Minutes, motion carried.

Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randall Martin to accept the treasurer's report, motion carried.

Fire department report was given by Lynne Wyatt: Everything is in order for ISO, waiting for second water tender. Discussed overspending the approved allowance for glove purchase. Discussed fire department budget for 2008/2009 fiscal year. We still have no definite date for delivery of new water tender. Tim Murphy will stay in contact with the manufacturer to speed up delivery and insure they follow the spec sheet. Lynne Wyatt read a letter of resignation from Chief Hoffman. Motioned by Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Walter Nelson to accept the resignation with regret, motion carried. Motion by Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to appoint Ryan Martin Interim Fire Chief and Mark Nerbonne Interim Assistant Chief until permanent appointments can be made, motion carried. Special meeting set for February 25, 2008 at 8:00 pm. Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randall Martin to accept bid from CMCH for fire fighter physical examinations, motion carried.

Planning commission report by Randall Martin: Mr. Martin reported a sign violation, resident was sent a letter and still not complying. Motioned by Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Randall Martin to instruct the constable to issue a citation, motion carried.

Motioned by, Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to pay the general fund 10199 through 10232 and fire department bills, motion carried.

**Public Comments**

Charles Purtill suggested that Supervisor Murphy talk to the resident regarding the sign violation before issuing a citation. Don Mills asked about someone local building the new tender, however no one local has proper certification. Ryan Martin asked if about considering Hepatitis B vaccine with physicals. Terry Schutt asked if all fire fighters are county residents ie. college students.

**Unfinished Business:**

Amy Shindorf presented a renewal contract for curb-side recycling with Isabella County. Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to renew the contract through December 31, 2008 motion carried.

Dave Garrett presented some additional information on a sound and recording system for township meetings.

**New Business:**

Discussed March Board of Review, Items postponed until next Monday's special meeting.

Budget Amendment, motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randall Martin to amend the general fund budget increasing elections from \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00, increasing accounting and audit from \$12,000.00 to \$19,000.00, increasing insurance from \$15,000.00 to \$18,600.00 and decreasing highways and streets from \$836,600.00 to \$824,000.00, motion carried.

**Public Comments:**

Don Mills asked if the fire chief would be disciplined regarding his complaint. Lynne Wyatt answered "no, because the chief was acting within guidelines.

Motion by, Randall Martin, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM

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Walter Nelson  
Deerfield Township Clerk

