

Minutes
DEERFILLD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 16, 2009

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

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

Eleven others were also present.

Agenda additions: Fire Department Raises, Calendar, and Board of Review Applicant

Motioned to approve Agenda with additions by Randy Martin, seconded by, Alan Johns motion carried

Motioned by Randy Martin, seconded by Alan Johns to approve the minutes of February 16, 2009 meeting with correction (all items will be presented with bills for approval), motion carried.

Treasurers Report was given by Jack Long. Motion by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randy Martin to accept Treasurers report, motion carried.

Fire Department Report was given by Randy Martin: Nothing new from ISO. Fire Board Meeting time changed to 6:00 pm. Fire Board approved a proposed budget to be presented to the township board for their approval.

Planning Commission Report by Alan Johns. Regarding complaint on gravel pit company, the planning ruled the operator did not violate the zoning ordinance. Complainant will be notified of ruling by mail. The planning commission is further investigating rules regarding closing of gravel/sand pits. Planning Commission has one spot to fill, will be advertised in Sunday and Wednesday issues of The Morning Sun.

The JCCA Report was given by Jack Long.

Motion by Walter Nelson, Second by Randy Martin to pay the General Fund and Fire Department bills, roll call vote 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried

Public Comments on Agenda Items – none

Unfinished Business Unfinished Business

New telephone installation scheduled to begin March 17, 2009.

Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randy Martin to adopt Code Resolution Number 2009-BC-1, motion carried.

New Business:

2008/09 General Fund Budget amendment, motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Alan Johns to increase curbside recycling to \$27, 090.00 and decrease the ending fund balance to \$23,163,04,4 aye 0 nay motion carried

Office Manager Review, all comments regarding performance were favorable. Discussed compensation/wages, Mr. Long requested five half days paid vacation, motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Alan Johns to increase wage for office manager from \$15.00 per hour to \$15.50 per hour, Walter Nelson, Tim Murphy, and Alan Johns (aye), Randy Martin (nay), motion carried.

Discussed changing meeting time, motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randy Martin to change the township board meeting time to 7:00 pm, motion carried.

Discussed fire fighters' compensation, motioned by Randy Martin, seconded by Walter Nelson to increase chief's salary by \$400.00 to \$4,300.00/year, assistant chief by \$400.00 to \$3,400.00/year, pay training officer \$250.00/year, captains \$500.00/year and fire fighters \$25.00 to \$32.50 per run based on attendance schedule, four ayes 0 nays, motion carried.

Contract renewal for curbside recycling postponed.

Jack Long presented a calendar of events he prepared for the township.

Public Comments: There were several positive comments on the office manager review. Jenny wood commented on the poor condition of Broomfield Road. Charley Purtill suggested placing a speed limit on Broomfield Road. Janet Rice said the one foot to ten foot slope at the gravel pit west of Littlefield Road called for in the use permit had not been done. Alan Johns said this pit may not be closed as yet. John Montross suggested the board should have granted the paid time off requested by the office manager. Clerk Walter Nelson replied the raise given amounted to more than the paid time off would have amounted to.

Motion to adjourn by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randy Martin, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk