

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING OF MAY 7, 2012

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

Present	Tim Murphy	Supervisor
Present	Walter Nelson	Clerk
Present	Lynne Wyatt	Treasurer
Present	Randy Martin	Trustee
Present	Alan Johns	Trustee

44 others were also present.

Agenda additions: Removal of posted minutes.

Motioned to approve Amended Agenda by Alan Johns seconded by Lynne Wyatt, motion carried.

Supervisor Tim Murphy addressed rumors about possible expansion. He stated that no decisions have been made and no money has been spent and would not and could not be spent without first being approved at a public meeting by roll call vote.

The board discussed needs for expansion, more room for voting, expand the fire barn, office space and storage. The board also discussed planning for future growth, Trustee Alan Johns stated looking at past growth can aid in predicting future growth. Clerk Walter Nelson stated over the last twenty years the number of voters roughly doubled and the township SEV quadrupled.

Supervisor Murphy will contract the MTA regarding planning, what point to seek advice from an architect/engineer etc.

The board discussed posted minutes being removed from the bulletin board. Supervisor Murphy stated the minutes must remain on the board and maybe it would be necessary to put a glass cover over the board or dedicate a security camera to it. Clerk Walter Nelson suggested placing a container on the board for extra copies.

Public Comments Residents with comments: Joe Kaszuba, Joe Worgess, Bruce Faber, Virginia Wood, Brent Maxon Sr. Brent Maxon Jr. Charley Purtill, John Bland, Josephine Jennings, George Jennings, Doralee VanHorn, Bill Kennedy, Jonas Cook, Janet Rice, Kay Purtill, Doug Zeien, Herb Rice, Yvone Cofflin.

Concerns voiced by residents included: Finances may not remain good in present economy, one resident volunteered to serve on a building committee, steel buildings such as we have are pre-engineered limiting the need for an architect, future absentee voting will increase limiting need for more room, get some directions from the building inspector, agree with more room for fire department but not for voting, impossible to accurately predict future needs, possibility of utilizing a tent during elections in case of backups in bad weather, keeping taxes low, notices and minutes not being on the website on time, several questions and comments on roads.

Motion by Alan Johns, seconded by Randy Martin to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk