

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2008

Meeting called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Supervisor Tim Murphy.

Present:	Tim Murphy	Supervisor
	Walter Nelson	Clerk
	Lynne Wyatt	Treasurer
	Dave Garrett	Trustee
	Randall Martin	Trustee
	Ryan Martin	Fire Chief

Eleven others were also present.

Agenda additions: Baseline Road 2% Request, 5 Year Road Plan, Beal City Adult Education Hall Rental Contract.

Motioned by Randall Martin, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to approve the agenda with additions, motion carried.

Motioned by, Walter Nelson seconded by Randall Martin to approve the August 18, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes, motion carried

Treasurer's Report was given by Lynne Wyatt. Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randall Martin to accept the treasurer's report, motion carried. Discussed moving money around to different banks to keep accounts within insurable amounts, Treasurer Lynne Wyatt will make the necessary adjustments.

Fire department report was given by Lynne Wyatt: The high bid for the old water tender was \$30,000.00 from The Village of Camden. Great Lakes Apparatus bid \$500.00 on the old porta tank. Millbrook Rolland Fire Department bid \$150.00 on the pop can dispenser. Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randall Martin to accept the bids, motion carried. Discussed amending the fire department budget, will take up during new business. Pumper 810 needs pump repaired for \$11,600.00 or replaced for \$26,000.00, fire board recommends replacing. Skip Starling will be in the area on October 3&4,2008 regarding the ISO Rating. An overhead heater in the fire barn needs to be moved, estimated cost \$800.00.

Planning Commission Report by Randall Martin. At their meeting last week, some residents wanted the zoning to address trash and lawn mowing, attorney said its hard to enforce.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

None.

Motioned by, Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Randall Martin to pay the general fund and fire department bills, motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Discussed sound system, board consensus is we do not need one.

Discussed the office manager position. Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Dave Garrett to rescind the hiring motion from the August 2008 Regular Meeting and reinstate Jack Long to the position, motion carried.

Installation of the standby generator is still waiting on Consumers Energy Company.

Discussed selling old tables and purchasing new ones. Walter Nelson and Dave Garrett will price them out for sale.

New Business:

Discussed parking lot seal coat and repairs. Motioned by Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Randall Martin to authorize Walter Nelson to accept the best quote up to \$4,000.00, motion carried.

Discussed amending the General Fund and Fire Fund Budgets. Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to make the following amendments:

General Fund Budget:

Decrease Designated Fire Equipment Replacement Fund by \$69,419.04 from \$106,800.00 to \$37,380.96

Create Expenditure Line Item to transfer \$69,419.04 to Fire Fund

Increase General Fund Miscellaneous Revenues by \$69,419.04 from \$7,000.00 to \$76,419.04

Increase Hall & Grounds Repair & Maintenance Fund by \$4,000.00 from \$1,000.00 to \$5,000.00

Create a Hall & Grounds Capital Outlay Expenditures Fund over \$5,000.00 in the Amount of \$31,000.00

Increase Ending Fund Balance from \$3,834.00 to \$38,253.04

Fire Fund Budget:

Increase Miscellaneous Revenues by \$69,419.04 from \$960.00 to \$70,379.04

Create Expenditure Line Item to transfer \$69,419.04 to the General Fund

Create Expenditure Line Item for Reduction on Equipment Debt in the amount of \$80,000.00

Restrict the balance of \$24,966.00 from the Equipment Replacement Mill to Equipment Replacement and Reduction on Equipment Debts, motion carried

Discussed poor condition of township sign, Randall Martin stated Morey Logo would make a new 2'x4' sign for \$85.00 to \$90.00. Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to purchase the sign, motion carried.

Discussed Baseline Road 2% Requests, motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to approve the requests for reconstruct and paving between Vandecar and Nottawa Roads, motion carried.

Five Year Plan 2% Requests put on hold until Baseline Road is completed.

Discussed hall rental contract renewal with Beal City Adult Education. Motioned by Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Randall Martin to renew the contract for four years for \$750.00 per month, motion carried.

Public Comments:

Mike Zelewski from the county planning commission sub-committee talked about inner actions between the county and township planning commissions.

Rick Jakubiec announced he is running for drain commissioner.

Dora VanHorn said scrubs around the township hall should be trimmed.

Janice Zeien said county recycling totes are being put in front of vacant homes and wonders if the township is being billed for them.

Lisa Johnson said maybe we should take a closer look at the office manager position.

Dora VanHorn stated she is happy that Jack Long is returning to the office manager position.

Motion by, Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Randall Martin, to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Walter Nelson
Deerfield Township Clerk

