

MINUTES  
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 16, 2016

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

Present	Tim Murphy	Supervisor
Present	Walter Nelson	Clerk
Present	Connie Lynch	Treasurer
Present	Randy Martin	Trustee
Present	Alan Johns	Trustee

Six others were also present.

Agenda additions: None

Motioned to approve Agenda by Alan Johns, seconded by Connie Lynch, motion carried.

Motioned by Connie Lynch, seconded by Alan Johns to approve the minutes of April 18, 2016 Regular Meeting, motion carried.

Treasurers Report was given by Treasurer Connie Lynch, Filed for audit.

Fire Department Report was given by Chief Ryan Martin.

Planning Commission Report: By Connie Lynch, The review by Tim Nieporte is going well he may need a June meeting with the planning commission. The planning commission is trying to get a right-of-way map regarding the sign violation on M-20.

JCCA Report: By Randy Martin: There was nothing new to report this month except they are still looking for a plumbing inspector.

Motion by Alan Johns, Seconded by Walter Nelson to pay the General Fund Vendor Bills (\$21,672.19), General Fund Payroll Bills (\$5,986.73) Fire Department Vendor Bills (\$5,192.14) and Fire Department Payroll Bills (\$1,084.06) Roll call vote, 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

**Public Comments on Agenda Items:** None

**Unfinished Business:**

Discussion for a township hall sign was postponed

McQuestion Hearing set for May 25, 2016 at 9:30 AM Court Room P C 1.

The board discussed fencing along the road at Two Rivers Cemetery approximately 530 feet. Prices vary depending the type of fence. Also discussed was ditching along Coomer Cemetery, this would cost \$3,000.00 to \$4,000.00. Also a survey needs to be done on both cemeteries to determine the exact boundary.

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The low bid for tree cutting trimming at Two Rivers was from Central Michigan Tree Trimming Inc. for \$3,750.00. This bid did not include stump grinding. Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to approve the bid and additional for stump grinding not to exceed a total of \$5,000.00, roll call vote 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

The board discussed road maintenance, the township has funding from SCIT 2% Funds to complete River Road Grind Pave from one quarter mile west of Vandecar Road to Nottawa Road, this will be done this year. The township is also applying for 2% funding to continue the project from Nottawa Road to Meridian Road. The board also discussed refurbishing and ditching some of the limestone roads.

The board also discussed placing warning flashers at Winn and Pickard and Winn and River Roads. Walter Nelson will ask the road commission to send the township contracts for both intersections, they will cost \$5,500.00 each.

**New Business:**

The board was informed by Office Manager/Zoning Administrator Roger Lintemuth he has an offer for employment from MSU for considerably more than his current wage. Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to offer Roger \$20.00 per hour to continue in his current position, roll call vote 5 aye 0 no, motion carried.

The board discussed renewal of the accounting contract with James Court CPA for \$690.00 per month, roll call vote 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

**Public Comments:** Joe Kaszuba asked how long has Roger worked for the township. Commissioner John Haupt reported on issues at the county level.

Motion by Alan Johns seconded by Connie Lynch to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Walter Nelson

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Deerfield Township Clerk