

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 18, 2009

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

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

Seven others were also present.

Agenda additions: Bluegrass Road Complaint

Motioned to approve Agenda with addition by Lynne Wyatt, seconded by, Walter Nelson motion carried

Motioned by Alan Johns, seconded by Lynne Wyatt to approve the minutes of May 18, 2009 Regular Meeting with one correction, motion carried. Correction: rates for the mowing contract are \$3,000.00 for mowing the hall grounds and cemeteries for the summer of 2009, \$15.00/hour for extra labor, and \$40.00 per occurrence for emptying barrels a Two Rivers Cemetery.

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

Fire Department Report was given by Lynne Wyatt: Fire Department monthly bills are \$7,853.76, fire board recommends paying them. The Two-way repeater is dew to be relicensed plus the tower is not high enough to cover the whole township. A good used tower is available for \$13,490.00 including installation and relicensing the repeater. New towers range from \$28,500.00 to \$33,500.00. The fire chief requested the township pay fire board members from the general fund. Truck 810 is due back in service so the ISO Testing can proceed.

Planning Commission Report by Alan Johns. There were five applications for the planning commission. The commission will not make recommendations until after interviewing applicants. They will also check with MTA about the possibility of appointing alternates. The five year road plan was approved however the commission would like attention focused south of M-20 where the most growth occurs. Randy Martin explained the zoning administrator's procedure for dealing with violations, if violators do not respond after two letters are sent to them a registered letter is sent, if there is no response to the registered letter, the township attorney is contacted.

The JCCA Report was given by Lynne Wyatt, JCCA has issued a total of 18 permits this year to date. The JCCA did not intend to be included in the new telephone system. The JCCA also asked the township to discontinue charging them \$5.00 for each permit because the office manager is no longer as involved in them. Alan Johns suggested letting the JCCA continue using the telephone system, also suggested the supervisor issue a letter of reprimand to the office manager for not getting clear authorization before including the JCCA in the system. MMR also will need to be removed from the township system; Alan Johns volunteered to contact the phone service company. Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randy Martin to authorize up to \$200.00 to reinstall the old MMR line 5 votes aye, 0 nay, motion carried.

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Motioned by Lynne Wyatt, seconded by Randy Martin to rescind the five dollar charge to the JCCA for permits, motion carried.

Motion by Walter Nelson, Second by Randy Martin to pay the General Fund and Fire Department bills, roll call vote 5 ayes, 0 nays, and motion carried

Public Comments on Agenda Items – Question, what was the bill for Martin’s Kountry Korner, answer, fuel for fire trucks. Question: what was the Gilboe’s bill for, Answer: lock repair at the Southeast corner of fire barn.

Unfinished Business

Curbside recycling contract renewal postponed.

The board reviewed the five year road plan. Because of traffic counts on River and Deerfield Roads, River Road will probably be placed before Deerfield Road in priority at next review.

New Business:

Motioned by Walter nelson, seconded by Randy Martin to amend the 2008/2009 budget, creating line item for deputy treasurer wages in the amount of \$4,000.00 taken from ending fund balance, motion carried.

Motioned by Walter Nelson, seconded by Randy Martin to waive the hall rental for resident’s 100th birthday party, motion carried.

Discussed rules of order for meetings. In roll call votes, chair will vote last.

Discussed office manager’s computer running slow.

The property owner regarding trash complaint on Bluegrass Road has been identified and will be contacted by the planning commission.

Public Comments:

Several questions and comments were addressed regarding road conditions and safety and concerns about the gravel company creating noise and how close they are allowed to dig roads.

Motion to adjourn by Walter Nelson, seconded by Lynne Wyatt, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk