

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 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

Seven others were also present.

Agenda additions: Beal City Schools Contract, Frontier Contract, and Deputies

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

Motioned by Alan Johns, seconded by Connie Lynch to approve the minutes of August 15, 2016 Regular Meeting, motion carried.

Treasurers Report was presented by the Connie Lynch, Filed for audit. Alan Johns explained the new financial reports to the board.

Fire Department Report was given by Chief Ryan Martin. The county wide AFG Grant was denied. The chief has found some once used radios at a cost of \$17,803.30 for six radios and chargers, motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Randy Martin to approve up \$20,000.00 to purchase radios, roll call vote 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

Planning Commission Report: Connie Lynch reported the hearing for the ordinance updates is delayed due to a publishing error.

JCCA Report: By Randy Martin: Nothing new to report, still looking for a plumbing inspector.

Motion by, Alan Johns Seconded by Connie Lynch to pay the General Fund vendor Bills (\$27,481.93), General Fund Payroll Bills (\$5,077.13) and the Fire Department Vendor Bills (\$152,392.89), Fire Department Payroll Bills (\$1,083.82) with a maximum limit of \$148,954.00 on check number 11925 Roll call vote, 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

Unfinished Business:

Discussion for a township hall sign, Connie Lynch stated Strauss is working with Wildwood Studios on a base design.

Discussion on cemetery improvements, trees cut and stumps are ground at Two Rivers Cemetery, may need some topsoil. The low bid for fencing was from Steve Ley Fencing for \$13,500.00. Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to accept the bid from Steve Ley Fencing and approve up \$16,500.00 for the fence in black aluminum with discussed extras, roll call vote 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

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The board discussed the sign violation on M-20, Connie Lynch restated she talked with Ben Burrows at M-DOT and he said the township and M-DOT both have authority.

The board discussed Mr. Purtill's signs for produce Mr. Purtill stated he had talked with M-DOT and the zoning administrator about his signs. After a brief discussion, there were no objections from any board members regarding Mr. Purtill's signs.

The board further discussed the conditions of the hall parking lot. It is to be kept on the agenda for repaving next year.

New Business:

The board discussed purchasing some new tables for the hall.

Walter Nelson reported to the board on a 2% round table meeting with the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe and informed the board he would be attending a meeting at the health department about the E-Coli problem in the Chippewa River.

The board discussed the contract with Beal City Schools, the school will no longer need the hall but would like to retain their office space. The school has offered \$200.00 per month plus high speed internet service for the continued use of the office space. Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Connie Lynch to accept their offer, roll call vote 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

The discussion on the Frontier Contract was postponed.

Connie Lynch announced she is appointing Callie Raushenberger to the position of deputy treasurer. Walter Nelson announced he has appointed Mary Ellen Wynes and Melissa Nelson to the position of deputy clerk.

Public Comments: Joe Kaszuba asked about the gauge and warranty of the proposed cemetery fencing. None of the quotes indicated either however that will be determined before going forward with the project.

Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Connie Lynch to adjourn, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk