

Town Board meeting May 1, 2018

The town board meeting was called order. All board members were present.

The minutes from the April 17th meeting were read. Motion was made by Lash to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Kastenschmidt.

Public Concerns

Lisa Vander presented to the board her plan to offer a Job Creation Generation Camp this summer for young people ages 12 to 18. She has secured the use of the Mindoro Elementary School. The cost to attend is \$250 per week and she is looking for funding to help cover the costs and perhaps offer scholarships.

Larry and Cindy Craig appeared before the Board to discuss the ongoing boundary dispute they have with a neighbor. The Craig's' concern involves animals owned by the neighbor coming onto their property and causing issues with their cattle. Chairman Hesse explained that the township has no jurisdiction in this matter and urged the Craig's' to continue to contact the Sheriff's Department when problems arise.

Penny Lash, manager of the township cemeteries, proposed an increase in the cost of grave sites. She has researched other cemeteries in the County and learned that our prices are quite a bit lower which has resulted in people who are neither Town of Farmington residents and nor have any connection to the township purchasing grave sites. If this continues it has the potential of causing our cemeteries to prematurely fill making no grave sites available for residents. She also expressed that an increase in revenue would provide the monies for routine maintenance at the cemeteries. A motion was made by Kastenschmidt to increase graves sites for residents to \$400 and grave sites for nonresidents to \$1000. Motion seconded by Lash. Further clarification of resident/non-resident designations can be found in the Cemetery Bylaws which will be updated at a future board meeting.

Recycle Ordinance

Board reviewed current Ordinance, no action taken.

LUCA

Board compiled a list of the multi housing units in the township. Chairman Hesse will research the addresses and provide the information to County Zoning as they prepare for the 2020 Census.

Roads

-Bids for seal coating will be solicited on the following township roads:

Stetzer, Hetland, A. Craig, Peterson, Voss, McClintock, Jerome, R. Young and Cox Hill

- Additionally, the price for a new culvert on A. Craig Road will be determined.

- The shouldering machine purchased in 1991 needs to be repaired. Township employees obtained information on cost to repair vs. purchase a replacement. The cost the repair would be over \$1800. The cost to replace it ranges from \$5800 to \$7000 depending on the size. They received the following replacement costs from Universal Trucking : a Swenson for \$5800, an HTC 1800 for \$7600 and an HTC 1200 for \$7084. Board determined it was time to replace rather than repair. Motion made by Hesse to purchase the Swenson Cross Conveyer model STCC at a cost of \$5800, seconded by Lash.

- Hanson Road is in need of some ditching.

- Radcliffe Road needs to be graded, however, it is still frozen in some areas.

- The radio in the old town truck will be moved to the new truck.

Emergency Management

FEMA grant application is almost complete.

Emergency Services

The First Responder chili dinner was a success again this year bringing \$15,000.

The Fire Department ISO audit has begun.

Solid Waste/Recycling

Nothing to report.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion was made by Hesse to approve receipts 641554 through 641565, seconded by Kastenschmidt.

The township checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Kastenschmidt to approve township checks #20792 through #20803 and the EFTS and the Fire Department checks #4368 through #4369. Seconded by Hesse.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00pm.