Town Board meeting  January 2, 2018

The town board meeting was called order at 7:30pm. Board members present: Mike Hesse, Paul Lash, Jodi Anderson, Betty Sacia. Absent: Greg Kastenschmidt

The minutes from the December 5th and December 11th meetings were read. Motion was made to approve the the December 5th minutes as read by Lash, seconded by Hesse. Motion was made to approve the December 11th minutes as read by Hesse, seconded by Lash.

Public Concerns
Brief discussion regarding the possible purchase by the township of the four round tables which have been stored in the town hall since the craft show held in December. No decision made.

Town treasurer reported that the credit card option has not been used to pay property taxes as yet.

Roads
- Chairman Hesse reported that it was necessary to lease the new town truck rather than purchase it as there is a manufacturer's recall on the water pump on these vehicles, which prohibits the dealership from selling them. We have leased the truck for $1.00 per month until the pump can be replaced.
- The Avont has been leased again for the winter to be used for snow cleanup/plowing where appropriate.

Emergency Management
- Hesse and Sacia have met with Ken Hill, FEMA Program Delivery Manager to begin the process of documenting all costs incurred due to the heavy rains and flooding in July 2017. Glen and Kevin were also present at the first meeting. A second meeting is scheduled for, January 3rd.

Emergency Services
- The application for federal fire grant opened up in December, our department would like to apply for funds to purchase self-contained breathing apparatuses (SEBA). Which cost $6500 to $7500 each, it is recommended a department have one for every seated position in the fire truck. These applications can be combined with another department to possibly increase the likelihood of being awarded the grant. A motion was made by Lash to approve the fire department applying for these federal funds, seconded by Hesse.
- Through the IAmResponding software emergency services responders are now provided a text message with pre arrival instruction and information, such as known drug house, prior domestic violence, etc.
- The First Responders have received a $2400 grant from Theisen's of Sparta.

Solid Waste/Recycling
- Nothing to report.

The Treasurer’s report was reviewed. A motion made by Hesse to approve receipts 541510 through 541521, seconded by Lash.

The township checks were reviewed. A motion was made by Hesse to approve township checks #20591 through #20628 and the EFTS and the Fire Department checks 4335-4337. Seconded by Lash.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm