



WEESAW TOWNSHIP
New Troy, MI 49119



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 16, 2015

The Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Sandy McKamey at 7:03 p.m.

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited by all present.
- **ROLL CALL BY CLERK GREEN:** All Members Present: Wanda Green, Jack Jones, Sandy McKamey, Gary Sommers. Absent: Michelle Tackitt. (Tackitt arrived at 7:15 p.m.)
- **SAFETY COMMITTEE: Gary Sommers & Jack Jones:** Sommers and Jones verbally expressed the Board's appreciation to Dale Brueck (Firefighter) for his 50 years of service to the Fire Dept. The meeting was recessed for a few minutes to honor Dale Brueck (Firefighter) with refreshments and a gift from the Board members. The meeting resumed again at 7:22 p.m.
- **SET/AMEND AGENDA ITEMS:** Green read a memo relating her reasons for requesting that "Fire Dept. Association Dinner" be removed from the Agenda items. Green then made a motion, supported by Tackitt, to amend the agenda items by deleting "Fire Dept. Association Dinner". Roll call vote (Ayes – Green, Tackitt, Jones, Sommers; Nays – McKamey), motion carried.

Motion by Jones, supported by Tackitt, to accept the Agenda with removal of Fire Dept. Association Dinner agenda item. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried. McKamey provided an email from Atty. Bell concerning the Fire Dept. Association dinner.

- **HEARING OF PERSONS PRESENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None
- **JANNA RILEY – Recycling:** Janna requested to be on the Agenda to talk about the Recycling project that she been manning with a few volunteers involved from time to time since its inception (approx. 2-1/2 yrs. ago). She resigned last month from the recycling. The board members expressed their appreciation for her volunteerism. She is hoping that volunteers will step up to the plate to keep it going. Green will contact Janet Hayes, reporter for Harbor Country as well as other papers, to see if she will write an article requesting volunteers to work with the recycling program. Motion by McKamey, supported by Jones, to place an ad in the paper or request that Janet Hayes do a press release for volunteers. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
- **B.C. SHERIFF'S DEPT. REPORT:** Deputy Sheriff V. Williams arrived and presented the statistics for Weesaw Township for the period of 10/1/15-10/31/15: 29 Complaints, 1 ticket issued, arrests 0. Question concerning excessive noise: Deputy Williams advised 1) a verbal warning and 2) a written citation under the State noise ordinance. Sommers reported last Sunday the Mill Road Park picnic table was found abandoned in the woods.
- **APPROVE PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Sommers asked for a change in the minutes of 11/18/15 on page 2, under Fire Dept. item, paragraph 2, change \$725 to \$825 two times. Motion by McKamey, supported by Tackitt, to approve the minutes of 11/18/15 and 12/07/15, with corrections to 11/18/15 Regular Board Minutes, as requested by Sommers. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
- **CORRESPONDENCE PROVIDED TO BOARD:** 11/30/15 Schaffer & Layher – now known as Kruggel Lawton CPAs; 11/18/15 – PC Consultants' bid of next year's contract (no changes to contract to be made at this time by the board); 12/16/15 – Jill Adams/BC Parks & Recreation (notification of new contract forthcoming)

- **APPROVE EXPENDITURES:** Jones and Sommers reviewed the payables earlier in the day and reported that ink cartridges in the amount of \$63.59 purchased by Donnie Johnson II for the Fire Dept. had been left off the payables and needed to be added to the Fire Dept. expenditures. McKamey stated that Elizabeth Palulis' payroll check should be paid under Deputy Clerk category, which Green stated she had done. Green will make that clear on the Payables report. Motion by Jones, supported by Sommers, to approve the payables in the amounts of General Fund \$18,729.32; Fire Dept. \$20,714.62 (as amended); Ambulance \$2,211.27; Sewer \$3,211.63, for a Grand Total of \$44,866.84. Roll call vote, all ayes (Jones, Sommers, Tackitt, McKamey, Green), motion carried.
- **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
 - **Treasurer:** Tackitt provided bank balances and an updated bank report. Winter taxes are coming in. Tony Kaleta donated a nice Fire Truck puzzle he had completed for display in the Fire Dept.
 - **Fire Dept.:** Fire Chief Williams reported 2 calls: 1 storm power lines, 1 PI on Cleveland. He reported the Fire Association dinner went well. They collected \$1200 in the auction; the ax plaque was presented to Dale Breuck in appreciation of his 50 years of service to the Fire Dept. They plan to have training at Vickers in the future. Update on meeting room/kitchen renovation. A bid has not been received from Chris Coy regarding the cost of replacing seals and adjusting door switches. Green to put this item on Friday's meeting agenda.
 - **Enforcement Officer:** Robert Krauss not present.
 - **Building, Zoning, & Enforcement Reports** – Written report provided by Bob Kaufman.
 - **Planning Commission Minutes:** Minutes provided.
 - **Parks' & Rec. Committee:** Sommers reported some type of vehicle tracks in the Weesaw Township Park below the hill.
 - **Road Committee:** Minutes provided. Sommers reported roads have been graded. The residents on Elm Valley have expressed appreciation for the road upgrade. A thank you letter was written by Jack Dodds to send to Mr. Csokasy from the Roads Committee and board members. Motion by Sommers, supported by McKamey, to approve sending the letter to B.C.R.C. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.
 - **Website Committee:** Mike Metz reported the committee will meet on 1/5/16 to clean up the website.
 - **Drains Committee:** Sommers reported that he talked with Vern Moore and the drain work is about completed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Attorney Bell Update:** Green sent an email to Atty Bell requesting any updates, and there was no response.
- **Recycling Bin Monitoring:** Since Janna Riley has resigned, Skip Green, Township Custodian/Maintenance person, has been monitoring the recycling bin. McKamey said there were no funds to cover this and it had not been approved by the Board (although Sommers is the chair of this committee and had asked Skip to do this). Clerk Green replied that her husband, Skip, had not been charging the Township for his time or mileage, but would like to at least get mileage for driving to check the bin and push back the materials. McKamey reported she has had complaints about paying Skip's mileage. Green informed the board that when Sklip was hired years ago around 2007, he was told if he needed supplies to purchase them, provide a receipt and the township would reimburse him for the supplies and his mileage. That's what has been happening since. Further, oftentimes he does not charge for mileage at all if he is already going that way. After further discussion, motion by McKamey, supported by Sommers to pay Skip Green for up to 10 hours per month@ \$12/hr. for monitoring the recycling bin. Roll call vote, 4 ayes (Sommers,

Jones, Tackitt, McKamey, Green abstained due to Skip being her husband), motion carried. Green stated she felt it would not be that much time to monitor the bin.

- **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Jim Pastryk, who is working with Jack Dodds on Terry Hanover's school bell project, reported that the project is moving along. One can see the progress on the internet: New Troy Bell Fund. Sommers also reported that he was going to go over to the recycling bin and pick up extra bags and non-recyclables that had been left outside the bin and take them to be disposed of.
- **ADJOURN:** Motion by McKamey, supported by Jones, to adjourn at 9:43 p.m. Voice vote, all ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Wanda Green
Clerk