

THOMPSON TWP. BOARD-REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Thompson Township Hall
August 12, 2014 at 6:00p.m.

The Thompson Township Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Theresa Lund, Supervisor, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by the Supervisor for Board Members present.

PRESENT: Cathi LaBar, Theresa Lund, Martha Wnuk, Sandra Houghton, Cynthia McDaniel

ABSENT: None

Approval of Agenda: Martha Wnuk, Trustee, made the motion to approve the agenda as presented, 2nd by Sandra Houghton, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Brief Public Comment: None

Approval of Constant Agenda Items: Sandra Houghton, Trustee, made the motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of July 1, 2014, Special Meeting minutes of July 7, 2014, and Special Meeting minutes of July 22, 2014, 2nd by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Assessor's Report: Joseph Maki, Assessor, summarized written report. Motion made by Cathi LaBar, Treasurer, to accept assessor's report as submitted, 2nd by Cynthia McDaniel, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Fire Department Report: Jon Burk, Fire Chief, noted the Schoolcraft County Fire Chiefs Association bill would be coming for the current year and that there may have been confusion between this bill and the last bill that had been sent late for the previous year. Cynthia McDaniel, Clerk, stated the bill had been received and paid. The full roster attended propane training at no cost to the fire department. There was one dispatch for the month to assist with a power line issue. Jon has updated the fire roster. Three trucks are due for DOT inspection-Jon is checking into cost. There will be a training in September. He also stated Med Flight is available and the fire department had received training on it. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to approve any upcoming trainings until the next board meeting, 2nd by Theresa Lund, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to accept the report as given, 2nd by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Historical Report- Laurie Jasmin stated that the historical group had only 3 active members and asked for suggestions or direction from the board to keep the committee moving forward. She submitted \$100.00 for deposit from note card sales and noted there are no Christmas Ship ornaments left to sell. Martha Wnuk offered to take over leadership of the committee and suggested a scheduled monthly meeting. Motion made by Cathi LaBar to approve Martha Wnuk as chairperson of the historical committee and to approve the purchase of 100 Christmas Ship ornaments, 2nd by Theresa Lund, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Yay.

Community Recognition Program None

Road Committee Theresa Lund-no update

Firehall-Flooring One bid received for \$6,915.00. Tabled until March 2015 to look at next year's budget.

Electrical-Townhall & Sacristy Theresa Lund presented a bid from Roemer Electric. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to accept the bid from Roemer Electric to complete the electrical work in the townhall and sacristy for \$1,550.00, 2nd by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Firefighter Uniform Shirts Tabled until September meeting

Water Line Break - Update Theresa Lund reported the insurance denied the claim stating the line was old and that was the reason for the break. Paul's Plumbing repaired the broken line for \$555.24.

Townhall Ramp A to Z Builders bid to build the ramp using some materials from the previous ramp for a cost of \$3,062.00. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to accept the bid of \$3,062.00, with 50% due before project begins and remainder due at completion, and hire A to Z Builders to build the handicap ramp without steps, 2nd by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay. Fence between hall and firehall to keep snowplows off was discussed and tabled.

Cuppad Membership Martha Wnuk made motion not to become member of CUPPAD, 2nd by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Road Sign – 8 Mile Road Theresa Lund stated the sign is missing. Motion made by Cathi LaBar to replace the missing road sign, 2nd by Cynthia McDaniel, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Dog Ordinance Discussion on possible dog ordinance. Martha suggested that enforcement may be a problem for the township and Theresa Lund stated the township would be billed for enforcement calls by the county sheriff's office. Also mentioned there should already be a noise ordinance in place for the county that would cover the issue. Tabled – more information

Board Policy – Withholdings Motion made by Sandra Houghton to change wording in Thompson Township Board Rules, Regulations, & Policies under **5. Compensation D.** Pension, Medicare, & FICA Withholdings to remove the "Election workers are exempt from all withholdings" and add election workers to board of review members as subject to all income tax withholdings, 2nd by Theresa Lund, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Janitorial/Maintenance Position- Contract or Employee Martha Wnuk stated that the board does not give set work times to complete duties of the position, so it is contract labor. Motion made by Martha Wnuk to keep the Janitorial/Maintenance Position as contract labor, 2nd by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Risk Assessment Tabled until further information

Correspondence/Communications- MTA Perfectly Legal Training registration; State History Conference registration; Tax Rate Request-School; Driving Records from State Subscription for new fire department volunteers

Public Comment: Theresa Lund stated the bridge is in on M-149, but still more work to do before it reopens.

Pay all Bills and Wages: Motion was made by Cynthia McDaniel to pay all due bills and wages until next meeting, ck#6018-6049, Total Amount \$11,244.11, 2nd by Cathi LaBar, Passed 5 Yea, 0 Nay.

Motion to adjourn: by Theresa Lund

Next Meeting: September 9, 2014 at 6p.m.