

MACKINAW TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

MARCH 15, 2016

Supervisor Falor called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 5:05PM with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. All Board Members present: Falor, Williams, Keck, Brew, Closs. Also present: Tim MacArthur, Mike Williams, Nan Keck, and Maria Munns.

Agenda approved with addition of Dates and Times of 2016-2017 Board Meetings as #6 in New Business. Minutes of February 16, 2016 Board meeting stand as presented.

5:06PM. The Regular meeting was recessed and the Public Budget Hearing for 2016-2017 was opened. There were no comments. Brew made the motion, supported by Keck to close the Public Budget hearing. Motion passed. Public Budget Hearing closed at 5:08PM. The Regular meeting was reopened at 5:08PM

Reports

- Attorney Tim MacArthur presented his statement for services for 2015-2016 in the amount of \$5,776.50. He also presented the new Retainer Agreement for Fiscal year 2016-2017. Brew made the motion, supported by Williams, to retain Mr. MacArthur as attorney for the township for Fiscal year 2016-2017. Roll call vote: Ayes: Keck, Brew, Falor, Williams, Closs. Nays: None. Motion passed. He informed us of recently passed legislation which would exempt Township properties from Adverse Possessions claims.
- In Joe Lavenders absence, Falor gave an update of the Board of Review meetings. Six property owners came with concerns and questions.

Unfinished Business

- There were 197 ballots cast at the March 8 Presidential Primary Election. (150 Walk-in and 47 Absentee)

New Business

- Brew made the motion, supported by Williams, to adopt the Fiscal 2016/2017 Budget as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Brew, Keck, Falor, Williams, Closs. Nays: None. Motion passed.
- Brew made the motion, supported by Keck, to adopt the General Appropriations Act as presented. Roll call vote: Ayes: Falor, Brew, Keck, Williams, Closs. Nays: None. Motion passed.
- After discussion, Brew made the motion, supported by Falor, to adopt the resolution from Up North Prevention to make April 2016 Social Host Responsibility Month. Roll call vote: Ayes: Keck, Falor, Closs, Williams, Brew. Nays: None. Motion passed.
- The Board is seeking someone to appoint as our representative to the Village Fire Board, which was established in the Intergovernmental Fire Agreement. This advisory board is to meet twice a year for information sharing. This was tabled to the April meeting.
- Attorney MacArthur reviewed and explained the updates to the Resolution authorizing placement of the new Millage Proposition for Fire Protection Services on the August primary ballot. Assessor Joe Lavender will calculate and fill in the monies generated by this millage to complete the wording on this draft. The Attorney for the Village has reviewed, as per agreement, and accepted the final draft. Recent legislation, currently stayed by the Federal courts, would prohibit promotion and advertising of this millage within two months of elections. Falor made the motion, supported by Closs, to table the Millage Proposal Resolution to the April meeting. Motion passed.
- The Board Meeting Schedule for 2016-2017 was set as follows: The third Tuesday of each month. No meeting in August or December, unless special meeting. November thru May meetings will begin at 5 PM. June thru October meetings will begin at 7 PM. Brew made the motion, supported by Closs, to set June thru October meetings at 7PM. The remaining months at 5PM. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report/Warrant List/ Financial Report

- The Treasurers Report was accepted as received.
- Brew made the motion, supported by Closs, to pay the bills for March to include the statement from Attorney MacArthur for \$5,776.50. Roll call vote: Ayes: Brew, Keck, Closs, Williams, Falor. Nays: None. Motion passed.
- Falor made the motion, supported by Keck, to amend the budget by moving \$2,000 from Capital Outlay and \$1,000 from Contingencies to Legal Fees. Roll call vote: Ayes: Keck, Brew, Falor, Closs, Williams. Nays: None. Motion passed.

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Correspondence

- Representative Chatfield has introduced legislation in regards to Enbridge Line 5 pipeline
- Enbridge Officials will be contacting government officials for a meeting, possibly in April
- The US Census Bureau will be conducting a 2016 government survey
- NEMCSA is looking for anyone interested in becoming a foster grandparent
- Scott McNeil, a Community Development Planner, is soliciting projects for their capital improvement plan

Non-Agenda Items

Chris Brown, County Commissioner, met with the seniors at the WaWatam center and was very helpful. The decrease in monies allotted to the senior center is directly proportioned to the decrease in State Equalization Values.

Meeting adjourned by call of the chair at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Maria Munns, Deputy Clerk