

December 13, 2016

Chair Borgstrom called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. All board members of the board attended the meeting.

**Reading of the minutes** was waived by motion of Supervisor Newkirk seconded by Supervisor Rosvold. The remainder of the board concurred.

**Treasurer Report:** Treasurer Meier reported a total working cash balance of \$498,395.12. The report was approved and filed for audit at a later date.

**Road Report:** Mike Lahr reported that normal routine maintenance of the town roads, plow trucks, fire equipment, and refuse and recycling center has been ongoing. They have been plowing snow and cleaning up trees from the recent storm. A load of road salt is on the way. Three board members, Ryan, and Mike Lahr went to Litchfield to look at new trucks.

The board discussed the pros and cons of purchasing one vs. two trucks at this time. No payment on the trucks will be required until the township actually receives them in approximately ten months if they are ordered now. Both the clerk and the treasurer stated that if two trucks are purchased now the township should be on a three to five year rotating schedule in the future to alleviate the need to purchase two trucks in the same year. After discussing the pros and cons as well as the financing, Supervisor Sandstrom, seconded by Supervisor Newkirk, made a motion to purchase two 2016 Mack trucks with Cummins engines and Towmaster stainless steel box and plow packages. The remainder of the board concurred.

**Fire Report:** Fire Chief Ryan Kuklok reported two chimney fires, a shed fire, an ATV crash with First Response assist, two fire assisted medicals, and seven First Response medicals.

The washer grant of \$7,917.00 was received. The township will have to pay \$791.00 toward the purchase. The washer should be installed around the first of the year.

The pumpers were certified during the past month with only minor repairs required. The department took a fire truck and the First Response rig to Camp Shamineau for their community Christmas the prior weekend. Around 600 people attended the event.

The department elected officer for 2017. The officers will be Fire Chief Ryan Kuklok, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief Mike Krause, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief Mike Lahr, Captain Chris Korwes, Lieutenant Richy Pride, Treasurer Brad Hansen, and Secretary Anna Hanson.

There will be no training for the month of December.

**O.B.:** There were no offers on the two trailers for sale. The board decided to wait until spring and list them for sale then.

**N.B.:** The 2017 Board of Review is scheduled for Monday, May 1, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. Supervisor Sandstrom thanked Supervisor Rosvold and Chair Borgstrom for their service and recognized them for their well-done jobs.

The board removed to discuss pay increases. Supervisor Borgstrom, seconded by Supervisor Rosvold, made a motion to increase all hourly employees by 60¢ per hour and use the AFR (53.5¢ per mile in 2017) for mileage reimbursement. The remainder of the board concurred. Supervisor Newkirk, seconded by Supervisor Sandstrom, made a motion to increase the clerk and treasurer salaries by \$50.00 per month. The remainder of the board concurred.

**Claims** 16350 - 16389 totaling \$100,828.92 were read and approved for payment. Motion made by Supervisor Newkirk and seconded by Supervisor Card. The remainder of the board concurred.

**Correspondence** was read and dealt with.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. in a motion by Supervisor Card, seconded by Supervisor Sandstrom. The remainder of the board concurred.

Dale Borgstrom - Chair

Kathie Headley – Clerk