

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 17, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Tim Murphy

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| Present | Tim Murphy | Supervisor |
| Present | Walter Nelson | Clerk |
| Present | Connie Lynch | Treasurer |
| Absent | Randy Martin | Trustee |
| Present | Alan Johns | Trustee |

Fifteen others were also present.

Agenda additions: 911 Presentation and Spectrum Internet

Motioned to approve Agenda by Walter Nelson seconded by Alan Johns, motion carried.

Motioned by Alan Johns, seconded by Connie Lynch to approve the minutes of September 19, 2016 Regular Meeting, motion carried.

Treasurers Report was presented by the Connie Lynch, Filed for audit. Ryan Martin pointed out a coding error by the accountants where fuel purchases were coded for books and periodicals.

Fire Department Report was given by Chief Ryan Martin. We have in the purchase agreement for the new rescue unit we will get a \$100.00 per day discount for every day it is late of delivery date. The new internet service with Beal City Schools is up and running. Nottawa Sherman Fire Department will have a pumper for sale soon for \$25,000.00, motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Alan Johns we send a letter of interest for the pump truck, motion carried. The new radios are in waiting for programming. The board discussed selling the old pumper, Alan Johns suggested we should check the township by-laws before proceeding on selling the old pumper. The board discussed flags, Alan Johns informed the board he does business with a vendor who has very durable flags at a reasonable price. Ryan Martin expressed a desire to pave the unpaved portion of the fire department parking lot when the hall parking lot is repaved.

Planning Commission Report: Connie Lynch reported a hearing for some map changes and variance requests will be held on November 1, 2016.

JCCA Report: No Report this month..

Motion by, Alan Johns Seconded by Connie Lynch to pay the General Fund vendor Bills (\$325,451.17), General Fund Payroll Bills (\$7,680.87) and the Fire Department Vendor Bills (\$22,801.74), Fire Department Payroll Bills (\$6,760.58) Roll call vote, 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried. Fire Department Check Number 11745 was coded wrong. The board discussed when we reach a total expenditures for cemetery improvements, we reduce the cemetery improvement fund by that amount.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: Virginia Wood commented on several cemetery issues. Frank Engler talked about being a candidate for county commissioner.

Unfinished Business:

Connie Lynch said there is nothing new on a sign for the hall.

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The board discussed the sign violation on M-20, Connie Lynch said we do have at least partial jurisdiction but we need a signed complaint to take action. Alan Johns stated he would sign a complaint.

The discussions on repairs to the hall parking lot were postponed.

New Business:

The board discussed tables for the hall. Walter Nelson reported they were able to purchase 24 of the Lifetime Brand Tables that has held up so well for \$49.00 each.

Barb Frankenfield reported on the ballot proposal for the senior millage. She stated it would renew the .88 mill and increase it by .12 mill totaling 1 mill.

Walter Nelson reported on the bad rumble at two intersections and recommended replacing the ones at Winn and River Roads next year and waiting until funding is available to repave Pickard Road before replacing the ones at Winn and Pickard Roads. Rumble Strips cost \$2,400.00 per intersection.

Rob Jerman gave a presentation on the proposed 911 charges on the ballot.

Connie Lynch presented a proposal from Spectrum Internet for telephone and basic cable service for \$99.00 installation \$39.99 per month for telephone and \$29.99 per month for basic cable. Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to accept the offer from Spectrum Internet, roll call vote 4 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

Public Comments: Walter Nelson and Frank Engler both made comments about the e-coli problem in the county. Bruce Faber made comments regarding Charter/Spectrum. County Commissioner John Haupt reported on issues at the county level.

Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Connie Lynch to adjourn, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk