

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 16, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Clerk Walter Nelson

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

Five others were also present.

Trustee Randy Martin agreed to chair the meeting.

Agenda additions: Deputy Supervisor, Security Camera, Planning and Zoning Appointments

Motioned to approve Agenda by Connie Lynch seconded by Alan Johns, motion carried.

Motioned by Alan Johns, seconded by Connie Lynch to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2015 Regular Meeting, with corrections, the security camera system discussion postponed, spelling correction (accountant instead of account) employees will also not be issued checks without a W-9, motion carried.

Treasurers Report was given by Connie Lynch, Filed for audit.

Fire Department Report was given by Assistant Chief Tim Wolters.

Planning Commission Report: By Connie Lynch: The next meeting for the ordinance update will be February 24, 2015 at 7:00 pm..

JCCA Report by Randy Martin: The JCCA is looking for a plumbing inspector to replace Wayne Coston who is retiring.

Motion by, Walter Nelson Seconded by Alan Johns to pay the General Fund Vendor Bills (\$38,549.09), General Fund Payroll Bills (\$4,909.90) Fire Department Vendor Bills (\$8,076.21) and Fire Department Payroll Bills (\$892.09). Roll call vote, 4 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried. Check to JBS will be held until punch list is completed.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

Unfinished Business:

Discussion for the new township logo was postponed.

The punch list was discussed during the fire department report and with the bills discussion.

Motion to approve the 116 Act Request from Delbert Garrett by Walter Nelson seconded by Connie Lynch, motion carried.

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Discussion on the security system camera, motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to accept the bid from STT for \$6,998.29, roll call vote 4 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

New Business:

The board discussed options for repairs to Pickard Road from Meridian Road to Winn Road. Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Alan Johns to apply for a 2% Grant from SCIT to overlay one and one half inches of blacktop to Pickard Road in the amount of \$225,000.00, motion carried.

The board discussed salaries for 2015/2016 Fiscal Year. Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Connie Lynch to raise the clerk's salary to \$13,750.00, roll call vote 4 aye 0 nay, motion carried. Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Connie Lynch to raise the supervisor's salary to 12,000.00, roll call vote 4 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

The board discussed completing upgrade to all season specifications of Winn Road, the final phase to begin in the spring of 2015. Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to approve the contract with Isabella County Road Commission for Winn Road in the amount of \$209,597.70, roll call vote, 4 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

A budget workshop is scheduled for March 7, 2015 at 9:00 am and the budget hearing is scheduled for March 16, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to adopt the 2015 Federal Poverty Guidelines for property tax exemption, motion carried.

The board discussed the deputy supervisor position, Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Connie Lynch to authorize Deputy Supervisor John Haupt to carry out statutory duties as assigned by Supervisor Tim Murphy in his absence, motion carried

The board discussed Planning Commission and ZBA Positions. Motioned by Connie Lynch seconded by Walter Nelson to appoint Pat Siuda as ZBA Member and Janet Rice as ZBA alternate, motion carried.

Public Comments: County Commissioner John Haupt reported on activities at the county commission. Trustee Randy Martin expressed concern that out county people pay the same tax to support ICTC but receive much poorer service.

Motion by Connie Lynch seconded by Walter Nelson to adjourn, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk