

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 16, 2018

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

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

Five others were also present.

Agenda additions: Robert Holmes, Policies and Procedures

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

Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Randy Martin to approve the minutes of March 19, 2018 Regular Meeting and March 19, 2018 Budget Hearing, motion carried.

Treasurers Report By: Connie Lynch: All the tax money is in for the year Filed for audit.

Fire Department Report was given by Chief Ryan Martin. The fire department twenty fifth anniversary open house celebration will be on May 19, 2018. The vendor has quoted \$10.00 per plate Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Connie Lynch to approve vendor's quote for open house, roll call vote 4 aye Randy Martin voted nay, motion carried. The department has submitted a 2% request to SCIT in the amount of \$14,285.00 for thermo-imaging cameras and a drone.

Planning Commission Report: By Connie Lynch, the next meeting will be April 18, 2018. The board discussed wind turbines. And whether if the township does not want medical marijuana sold in the township, if the township has to specifically opt out.

JCCA Report: By Randy Martin. The JCCA Board will be asking the other two townships to contribute two to three hundred dollars to cover expenses. The JCCA still needs a plumbing inspector.

Motion by Walter Nelson seconded by Alan Johns to pay the General Fund vendor Bills (\$11,612.37), General Fund Payroll Bills (\$6,678.21) and the Fire Department Vendor Bills (\$4,050.69) Fire Department Payroll Bills (\$1,092.28) Roll call vote, 5 aye, 0 nay, motion carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: Robert Holmes talked about his candidacy for the office of Isabella County Prosecuting Attorney.

Unfinished Business:

Nothing new on cemetery improvements, hall equipment, rumble strips.

The board discussed a proposal from Consumers Energy to place street lights at M-20 and Gilmore Road, Meridian and Broomfield Roads, Pickard and Vandecar Roads, and Pickard and Nottawa Roads for \$760.00, motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Connie Lynch to approve the proposal, roll call vote 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

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New Business:

The board discussed contracts from the road commission for roads' repair and a flasher, Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Randy Martin to approve the following contracts; River Road from Nottawa to Meridian grind and pave \$193,977.29, Pick Road Winn to Gilmore overlay \$115,931.12, Pickard Road Winn to Vandecar overlay \$140,648.32 and place a overhead flasher at Winn and Pickard Roads \$8,708.13 roll call vote 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried..

The board discussed planning commission expired terms of Jonas Cook and Tom Kromer, motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Randy Martin to reappoint both members, motion carried.

There is also an opening due to the resignation of Virginia Wood.
The next review for the office manager will be in July.
The quote for a camera to monitor the dumpster was postponed.

The board discussed the expired fire department equipment replacement millage, motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to adopt the resolution and place the following language on the ballot;

**DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP
PROPOSAL**

Renew and Increase Extra-Voted Millage to Offset Headlee Rollbacks
Shall the expired previous voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Deerfield Township, of One (1) Mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of taxable value), reduced to 0.9824 mills (\$0.9824 per \$1,000.00 of Taxable Value) by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted One (1) Mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000.00 of Taxable Value) and levied for Six (6) Years 2018 through 2023 inclusive, for the purchasing of equipment for fire protection for Deerfield Township, raising an estimated revenue for the first year of collection of One Hundred Twenty Thousand, Seven Hundred, Fifteen Dollars (\$120,715.00).

Discussion on sealcoating the old part of the fire department was postponed.

Public Comments: Melissa Nelson said the web designers are in phase two of building the web-site. Ryan Martin suggested hiring an exterminator for the hall before summer. Randy Martin said the generator was working fine during the last power outage.

Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded Randy Martin to adjourn, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk