

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 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

Seven others were also present.

Agenda additions: Flag

Motioned to approve Agenda by Alan Johns seconded by Randy Martin, motion carried.

Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Randy Martin to approve the minutes June 18, 2018 Regular Meeting, motion carried.

Treasurers Report By: Connie Lynch: Filed for audit.

Fire Department Report was given by Chief Ryan Martin. Chief Martin gave board members specifications to review for a new engine for the fire department, possibly to be purchased pending millage renewal for equipment replacement.

Planning Commission Report: By Connie Lynch, the planning commission is still working on a wind ordinance, there is nothing new on the McQuestion Hearing. There is one position on the planning commission and one ZBA alternate position to be filled. Melissa Nelson informed the board of upcoming training for planning and zoning members.

JCCA Report: By Randy Martin, nothing new to report.

Motion by Walter Nelson seconded by Connie Lynch to pay the General Fund vendor Bills (\$17,508.19), General Fund Payroll Bills (\$5,183.18) and the Fire Department Vendor Bills (\$2,604.14) Fire Department Payroll Bills (\$1,092.44) Roll call vote, 5 aye, 0 nay, motion carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: Joe Kaszuba suggested Granger may offer a discount for paying trash bill quarterly or yearly.

Unfinished Business:

The board discussed cleanup of dirt pile at Coomer Cemetery, also discussed was contacting the adjacent property owner for access to the west side of the cemetery and the possibility of purchasing some land.

There was nothing new on hall equipment or sealcoating the old part of the fire department parking lot.

New Business:

The board discussed the annual review for the office manager. Alan Johns suggested a 1.5 percent increase in wage amounting to twenty five cents per hour. Walter Nelson suggested that was low since the economy is approaching four percent growth. Connie Lynch suggested fifty cents per hour was more in line. Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Randy Martin to increase office manger's wages by twenty five cents per hour to \$16.75, roll call vote 4 aye, Connie Lynch voted nay, motion carried.

Motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Walter Nelson to pay the same rate of \$16.75 per hour to the backup for the office manager and also to deputies, roll call vote 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

The board discussed setting a one year moratorium on adopting a wind ordinance. Motioned by Randy Martin seconded by Connie Lynch to adopt the moratorium, motion carried.

Walter Nelson informed the board that the township needs a flag and pole for the second voting precinct and should have a new flag to replace the one we have. Consensus of the board he could purchase the items and no motion necessary.

The board reviewed two applications for planning and zoning, motioned by Alan Johns seconded by Connie Lynch to appoint Fritz Jaessing to the planning commission and Alex Imlay as ZBA alternate, motion carried.

Public Comments: Sue Ann Kopmeyer talked about the parks and recreation millage renewal, and also answered questions regarding their funding.

Motioned by Walter Nelson seconded Connie Lynch to adjourn, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk