

1-24-2011

Florence Township Regular Monthly Meeting

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00. Mike Blair was absent. The minutes from the last meeting were approved as read. The treasure's report was approved as presented and is as follows. A beginning balance of \$197,593.09, receipts of \$121,386.38, disbursements of \$42,985.28, for a total in checking and money market account of \$275,994.19 and two CD's for \$50,000 for a total of funds of \$325,994.19.

Zoning-Blake Rothgarn and Trina Banks are selling their property and there is a drainage and utility easement that should have been removed when 320th St. was moved. They will have to go through the proper procedures of vacating a road using published notices and public hearings in order to proceed with the vacation.

Gary Bredehoft would like to split his brother's property into three lots. He has a form from the county that needs Township board signatures just stating that the Township is aware of his variance request. A motion was made and second to sign the forms acknowledging that the Township is aware of the variance request. The motion passed.

Planning Commission- we did not have a meeting due lack of members. We are wondering if we should continue our work on the sensitive feature ordinance. The board advised them to talk to the county and see what kind of help they can give us on this and the comprehensive plan update. We will look for a Township ordinance book and try to organize all the Township ordinances. We are still short members.

Friends of the Town Hall-we had a belated Christmas party.

Heritage Preservation Commission-No meeting

Old Business-Tom is suggesting that we prepay \$82,900 of the \$176,000 bond from Poplar Ridge because the project came in about \$40,000.00 under budget and we have received \$42,900.00 in prepayments. A motion was made and second to approve the resolution to prepay \$82,900.00 of the \$176,000.00 bond. The motion passed.

New Business

The budget meeting was set for Monday February 7th 2011 at 7:00P.M. at the Town Hall.

The fire and ambulance contract meeting is February 1st in Lake City.

We must establish an absentee ballot board that will accept or reject absentee ballots. There was a motion made and second to accept the resolution establishing an absentee ballot board. The members of the board are Sue Eisenmenger, Jan Bruce and Monica Boege. The motion passed.

Clay has volunteered to do the annual new letter if the Board would like to do one. A motion was made and second to continue with the news letter. The motion passed.

Brad Stone presented a letter requesting to be on the Heritage Preservation Commission but he must follow proper procedure and mail the application letter to the Township clerk.

Tom suggested that we purchase two more CD's. Alliance Bank will give a rate of 1.15%. A motion was made and second to purchase two CD's totaling \$50,000.00 from Alliance Bank. The motion passed.

All outstanding bills were paid.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00

Respectfully submitted
Susan M. Eisenmenger, Clerk