

12-19-2012

Florence Township Regular Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00. The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting which were approved as read. The Treasurer's report is as follows. A beginning balance of \$187,992.12, receipts of \$132,875.94 and disbursements of \$16,312.53 for a total checking and money market balance of \$304,555.53. We have four CD's for \$150,572.44 for a total cash and investments of \$455,127.97. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Zoning-Rick and Denise Landau 29200 Westervelt Avenue Way put an outside entrance to their basement. It is approved by the HPC. Joe made a motion to approve as presented. Jim second the motion. The motion passed.

Planning Commission-The University students are on Christmas break so they will start up again in January. They will be looking into the permit process of the current gravel pits in the Township. The last meeting Jim Bryant and Mike Wozniak were present. The county has changed ordinances and nothing was getting solved with Hansen's harbor. One ordinance that is in effect that new repairs required a well and septic inspection. Jim has volunteered to be the go between the county and the Hansen's. The Hansen's want to put a new building up for servicing boats. This building will be on the old septic system. The new building will need a new septic system just for that building. The status report on Troy Gilchrist is we have not heard anything from him. A Township resident can be on the planning commission for three consecutive terms so Brian Schreiber is done on the planning commission. We are short members.

Task force report-we met with Matt Schmitt the new senator. The Wabasha city council refused to do an environmental study. So they will start hauling sand out of Wabasha on December 20th. David Williams is the attorney for Fillmore County and wrote their ordinance and has agreed to assist us. His rate is \$80.00 an hour. We will send Troy Gilchrist an e-mail asking for a response from the letter we sent him.

Heritage preservation commission-talked about the signs that need to be replaced. We received a letter from the historical society that they need an annual report to maintain the certified local government.

Park board we had the lady with the goats give a presentation and it looks promising. Magee and Betts environmental consultants talk to us.

Friends of the town hall we did not meet.

The Goodhue county deputy was present and talked about the neighborhood watch program is going to try to have three events a year. The first one is Tuesday January 8th from 6:30-9:00.

Old Business-As of the last meeting Art Hamilton was going to write a letter to Otto and Andersons regarding the fence/light issue The board has not heard from Art yet.

The road to the David Johnson farm is still not in the recorder's office. We will have Einar write a resolution stating that the Township will continue to maintain it. Fluegers have always split their bill with the Township and the Johnsons.

There is township property that goes around the Methodist campus according to the original plat the property is established as a steamboat landing. The park board is wondering if it is in our jurisdiction.

New Business-Snow plowing issues. We had a lot of issues with the last snow fall we had calls that the roads did not get cleared out fast enough. Casey Flueger explained that the snow was coming down so fast that they could not keep up. We had a truck go in the ditch which set us back for four hours. We still have some billing issues from November. We will have to talk to Barney.

Jim made a motion to have the budget meeting at 6:00 on Monday February 4th 2013. Joe second the motion. The motion passed.

The county has set April 24th at 10:00 A.M. We do not like that time and are going to request a later time. Tom will check with the county.

There is a resolution to establish an absentee ballot board consisting of Susan Eisenmenger, Jan Bruce and Monica Boege. Joe made a motion to approve. Jim second the motion. The motion passed.

Joe made a motion to move the regular monthly meeting to 6:00 P.M. beginning with the January meeting. Jim second the motion. The motion passed.

All outstanding bills were paid

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00

Respectfully submitted

Susan M. Eisenmenger, Clerk