

4-22-2013

### Florence Township Regular Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00. 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 \$259,721.65, receipts of \$280.52 disbursements of \$39,403.49 for a checking and money market balance of \$220,598.68. We have four CD's for \$151,910.38 for a total cash and investments of \$372,509.06. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

There were two road construction bids one from Luhman's construction and one from Flueger's. Jim McIlrath made a motion to accept the Luhman bid via Skype Mike second the motion. Joe abstained from voting. Jim voted yes and Mike voted yes. Luhmans construction will be our new road maintenance company. Dale kuchinka submitted a bid for \$35.00 per mile for road ditch mowing. A motion was made and second to approve. Motion passed. Joe made a motion to accept Paul Miller's bid for mowing the parks in Old Frontenac at \$9.00 per hour. Mike second the motion. Motion passed. Dave and Shirley Somerfield submitted a bid to mow the play park \$40.00 per mowing. Joe made a motion to approve the bid. Mike second the motion. The motion passed. There was one bid for park manager from Jon Wiech. Joe made a motion to approve Jon Wiech for park manager. Mike second the motion. The motion passed. There were two rock bids. Roberson lime and rock for class five was \$11.00 per yard. Bruenig rock bid was \$9.90 per yard for class 5. Joe made a motion to accept Bruenig bid at \$9.90 per yard. Mike second the motion. Motion passed.

Zoning – Bill Flies presented a permit application for adding on to and remodeling the chapel on Methodist campus and adding a sun room and a garage. This plan was approved by the HPC and the planning commission. Joe made a motion to approve as presented Jim second the motion via Skype. Art Hamilton brought up a discussion concerning a conflict of interest. A design form was submitted to remodel the chapel and the hotel. Two committee members work for lumber

companies and could have personal gain from getting this bid. Mike talked to township attorney and Mike Wozniak and there does not seem to be any conflict of interest. The HPC voted 3 to 1 to approve. The Town Board passed the motion unanimously. The hotel is going to be made into a two story building and adding a garage. Bill Flies is going to be using as much as the old lumber from the building as possible and not demolish the hotel. Jim made a motion to approve the lakeside property remodel as presented. The motion was second by Joe. The motion passed.

Planning Commission meeting- we talked about what our next steps are after the ordinance was passed. Tools that we might need if the ordinance is challenged. We also approved Bill Flies permits. The next meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May with the law students we are wondering if we should invite Mr. Williams and Mr. Wozniak to attend the meeting with the law students. A motion was made and second to invite Mr. Williams and Mr. Wozniak. The motion passed.

The Johnsons road survey has been completed. The road goes through the Brian Schrieber property and the Schrieber's attorney presented a resolution and survey to accept it has a township road. A motion was made and second to approve the resolution. The motion passed.

Park board-We are planning on using sentence to serve to clean up buckthorn. We are getting estimates to fix the sidewalk at the community center. We are going to get a new roof over the bleachers. The dock is being worked on now before it goes back into the water. We would like a \$1000.00 to get the park design started. We would like \$400.00 to finish repairing the dock. Joe made a motion to approve both requests for the park board commission. The motion passed.

Friends of the Town Hall our history fair is April 27<sup>th</sup> 1-4. Opportunity Service who cleans the town hall is requesting supplies. The Friends can buy supplies and turn in the bill. We are still wondering what we are going to do with the outside of the building. The memorial garden needs some bushes dug up and we need help.

Old Business-Road Tour was scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> and needs to be rescheduled. The road tour will be Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> leaving from the Whistle Stop Café at 8:00 A.M.

The Goodhue County land use meeting and silica sand mining meeting at the Zumbrota VFW is April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00P.M.

Keg permit for Larry Prebe April 26<sup>th</sup>. A motion made and second to approve. Motion passed.

We have received a letter from Goodhue County Historical society requesting a pledge from the Township. We made a flat donation of \$500.00 which was approved at the annual meeting.

KC Flueger wants to know why the town board went with Luhman's for a road contractor. The board stated that billing issues and plowing issues made us try a new contractor.

All Outstanding bills were paid.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00

Respectfully submitted

Susan M. Eisenmenger, Clerk