

2-24-2014

Florence Township regular Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00. Jim McIlrath was absent. The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting. There was a motion made and second to approve as read. The motion passed. The treasurer's report is as follows. A beginning balance in checking and money market account of \$237,913.04, receipts of \$10,697.46, disbursements of \$51,354.62 for a checking and money market balance of \$197,255.88. We have four CD's for \$152,900.20 for a total cash and investments of \$350,156.08. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Zoning-None

Planning commission-We talked about the old school house. The County has already approved a variance previously for the school house. We have updated the fee schedule for building permits and updated the resolution. There was a motion made and second to table this until Jim McIlrath returns. The motion passed.

Heritage Commission-We have received a \$10,000 grant to help with the roofing of the Town Hall. There have been some e-mails sent that there are other grants available. We are still not sure if the annual report has been completed yet. Art Hamilton was working on it.

Parks Board-We talked about the McGhee and Betts schedule. They are coming to our March Parks board meeting to present their plan. We are going to get a bid to get electricity to the shelter in Wakiondiota Park. We will also look into the cost of permanent restrooms. The survey for the Steamboat landing has been done. The lines are very close to the original plat. The property is unregistered and has been dedicated to the Township in the original plat. Block twelve is Township Property also.

Friends of the Town Hall-No report

Old Business-snow plowing issues. We had eight inches of snow and forty mile an hour winds. The roads will be graded all the way down to the black top and gravel tomorrow.

New Business-Joe presented a flier on where your tax money is spent. Joe reported the news from the annual Goodhue township association meeting. The Sheriff department stated that crime is up. The intersection on 52 and 9 is the worst intersection in the state and there is going to be an overpass built. There is going to be an app for phones to the County gis site. There will be a new septic ordinance being written. All septic must be brought to compliance before any sale will be approved. Territorial bridge is the first bridge to be done this year. The assessors report that ag sales are strong and they hope to keep home values as they are. Wayne Buysse has talked to excel about getting natural gas to Frontenac and Old Frontenac.

The news letter has been sent to the printer.

Our town board meetings will be the third Monday of the month starting in March.

There was a motion made and second to approve the lease for the post office. The motion passed.

All outstanding bills were paid

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45

Respectfully submitted

Susan M. Eisenmenger, Clerk