

On Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. Town Board Chair Greg Anderson called the regular monthly Town Board meeting to order. Other Supervisors present were Eugene Stoeckel, Mark Riverblood, Larry Ziebarth and Jim Kusler.

### **Approve Minutes**

A motion was made by Mark Riverblood and seconded by Eugene Stoeckel to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2017 regular monthly meeting as printed. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Mark Riverblood and seconded by Eugene Stoeckel to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2017 regular monthly meeting as printed. Motion Carried.

### **Approve Financial Report**

A motion was made by Mark Riverblood and seconded by Jim Kusler to approve the Financial Report for May 2017 as submitted. Beginning Balance of Township funds was \$685,697.48; total receipts of \$6,009.97; total disbursements of \$8,941.77; leaving a balance of \$682,765.68. Motion Carried Unanimously.

### **Old Business**

The first item on the agenda was to appoint a Vice Chair. Larry Ziebarth motioned to appoint Eugene Stoeckel. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. A vote was taken with two votes in favor. Jim Kusler motioned to nominate himself for the position of Vice Chair. Mark Riverblood seconded the motion. Larry Ziebarth stated that his only concern was that Jim cannot be present a lot of times. A vote was taken with three votes in favor. Motion Carried to appoint Jim Kusler as the Vice Chair.

Jim Kusler motioned to approve Resolution 2017-3 Authorizing Contract with Interested Officer. Mark Riverblood seconded the motion with Greg Anderson abstaining. Motion Carried.

### **New Business**

Mr. Anderson explained that there was a mistake with the approval of the Outdoor Event Policy last month. There should have been a 4/5 vote rather than a majority so they just needed another motion this month. Larry Ziebarth motioned to approve the Addition of the Outdoor Event Policy into Ordinances. Eugene Stoeckel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The next item on the agenda was Suzie Spain for variance information. Greg Anderson stated that according to Township Ordinances the lot that Suzie Spain owns, in Section 34, is a lot of record and is buildable, but still has to have 2 available septic sites because of the date that the property was transferred into her name. Suzie Spain explained that Butch Hohlen was at her property and explained that there would be two sites available. Mr. Anderson explained to Suzie Spain that the preceding information regarding the lot would need to be told to the prospective buyer.

Larry Ziebarth motioned to approve Resolution 2017-4 Charitable Gambling for Princeton Youth Hockey Association at Princeton Lanes. Mark Riverblood seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Eugene Stoeckel motioned to approve the outdoor event for Long Siding Bar & Grill. Larry Ziebarth seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Eugene Stoeckel motioned to approve the first half of the Fire Contract in the amount of \$25,160.00. Mark Riverblood seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Eugene Stoeckel motioned to approve the final payment for the Town Hall in the amount of \$10,713.00. Larry Ziebarth seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The next item on the agenda was the review of the ditch mowing contract. Mr. Anderson suggested that maybe the Township should consider purchasing their own tractor and mower. Not only could they do the work in house but they could get a tractor big enough to do the mowing and the reclaiming. After some discussion the Board directed the Clerk to get some prices on the equipment and they could discuss it at the next meeting. They also directed her to look into renting some equipment in the interim in order to get the ditches mowed.

### **Open Forum**

Tony Erholtz from the Mille Lacs County Sherriff's Department was present to give an update.

Joel Minks asked the Supervisors if they had heard about the State putting up barriers on the crossovers on Hwy 169. The Supervisors were not aware this was being considered.

### **Supervisors Report**

Eugene Stoeckel stated that Kevin Walz is still having problems with cars cutting the corners and wanted to know if the corner can be squared up to help the issue. The Board agreed to send West Branch Construction out there to get a recommendation on what can be done with the ditch in order to correct the problem.

Eugene Stoeckel gave an update on the Airport Advisory Board.

Larry Ziebarth gave an update on the Fire Advisory Board.

Greg Anderson informed the Board that a resident, Nate Kitzman, was looking to build on a property that did not have road frontage and wanted to know if the Township would consider adopting more footage of an existing township road in order to make the ordinance requirement. The Board agreed that it would not make good sense to do so.

### **Clerks Business**

The Clerk stated that West Branch Construction was out and fixed the township roads that they were instructed to but also noticed some other areas that needed attention. One was on 54<sup>th</sup> St. where an asphalt spot needed to be removed and replaced. The cost would be \$3,900.00. The second area was in Oakwood Estates where two big holes from stumps needed to be repaired. The cost could range anywhere from \$4,000-\$7,000 per hole. The Clerk said that Paul from West Branch explained that it would be hard to give a more detailed price without getting into the job to see what was under the asphalt. Mark Riverblood stated that the prices looked good on the proposals and motioned to approve having West Branch Construction make the necessary repairs. Larry Ziebarth seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

### **Approve Payment of the Bills**

A motion was made by Mark Riverblood and seconded by Eugene Stoeckel to approve payment of the bills, Check numbers 11656-11688. Motion Carried.

### **Adjourn**

A motion was made by Mark Riverblood and seconded by Eugene Stoeckel to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Wubben

Clerk/Treasurer      Attendees:    Joel Minks, Cole Wubben, Lucas Wubben, Deputy Tony Erholtz