

Minutes for Whitney Township Board Meeting
Held on September 12, 2017

Meeting called to order by Supervisor, Donald Becker at 7pm.

Present: Gehris, Anderson, Semenick, Becker, McAlindon
Absent: None

Minutes:

Moved by McAlindon, Seconded by Semenick, CARRIED to approve the minutes from the August 8, 2017 Regular Meeting, as printed.

Moved by Semenick, Seconded by Anderson, CARRIED to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2017 Special Meeting, as printed.

Moved by Gehris, Seconded by Semenick, CARRIED to approve the minutes from the August 24, 2017 Special Meeting, as printed.

Treasurers Report:

John went over fund sheets for General Fund and Water Fund.

General Fund

August 2017

Income	\$32419.20	Disbursement	\$35803.95
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Balance on Hand	\$172898.06		
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Water Fund

Income	\$26421.64	Disbursement	\$11188.97
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Balance on Hand	\$76099.13		
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Moved McAlindon, Seconded by Anderson, CARRIED to receive subject to audit.

Zoning Report:

Waiting for paperwork from the Township Attorney on a couple of settlement agreements.

He is also working on another couple issues.

There was some discussion on the class that some of the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals members attended. One of the topics was on short term rentals and how the MTA felt that the bill in the Senate was more than likely going to pass. If that bill passes it would make anything that the Township does on this issue null, because State law supersedes local laws.

Assessors Report:

Jessica has another meeting.

Fire Authority Report:

Ladder truck is here and still being equipped with additional equipment.

Water Authority Update:

Plant is progressing nicely. Generator is in place, windows are coming soon, plumbing is being hooked up for new filtration system, and the new employee has been hired.

Cemetery/Transfer Station Update:

We are having issues with Sims regarding the Cemetery; they think that control the Cemetery all by themselves.

Transfer Station bids have been voted on and the Board has decided to stay with Waste Management and Sunrise Disposal. Potholes are being worked on.

Public Comment:

B. Boensch- Cemetery looks nice

M. Piotrowski- are the minutes going to be available for the next meeting. She wants to have copies each meeting, so do B. Boensch and P. Cardinal.

B. Boensch says that there is an environmental impact to drive up here to get the minutes.

Someone suggested putting the minutes on the website.

Moved by McAlindon, Seconded by Anderson, CARRIED to put approved minutes on the website.

J. Brown- Library Board does their minutes on the internet.

How much money does the road mileage bring into the Township?

County wide mileage collects \$76,000.00 approximately

Township mileage collects \$36,000.00 approximately

Pinewood wants to have their road resurfaced- how much would it be to do that area? The Board would have to talk to the Road Commission to find out a price.

They would like to get on the agenda for their road to be done.

R. Zimmermann stated that the road is in bad shape and is turning into gravel and something needs to be done soon. This is for the 1st addition of Pinewood Subdivision.

J. Miller stated that he thought Pinewood was one subdivision not 2 different subdivisions.

Someone wanted to know about what was said in a previous meeting about the Road Commission wanting to do a large section of road not just small portions.

Someone stated that he got a bill for the previous black top job for \$7000.00 that he had to pay and he doesn't want to get another bill for this road work.

Old Business:

Mosquito Control- it was a wet year and APM is working on wetter areas, but have been doing nuisance calls for people when needed.

Fran asked the public how their mosquito control was this year. Everyone responded that they were happy with how things were done.

There were two different types of mosquitos this year.

Garage Update- the garage is finished and was built for extra storage space, because of the other fire truck coming into the fire barn.

New Business:

Meter Pit Covers- people have been opening their own lids and damaging the lids and the sending units for the meter reading equipment. The Board informed those in attendance that they are not to be opening their own meter pits, the employees of the Authority are the only ones allowed in the meter

pits. When a meter pit lid needs to be replaced from now on the price of the new lid will be passed on to the resident in their water bill.

MTA Training Classes- there are two sets of classes that are available for September and October. We need to know who would be interested in attending the classes, so that they can be registered to attend.

Kim must attend the MTA on the Road Class for the MTA Board Position that she has now. No other Board Members were interested in either training classes.

Moved by Semenick, Seconded by McAlindon, CARRIED to approve Kimberly Anderson attending the On the Road training class from the MTA.

Road Mowing- Roads have been mowed and we hired someone to do it to get the \$5000.00 the Road Commission was offering to have our own roads mowed. The person is currently working on mowing a second time on the bad spots on the roads.

New Fax Machine- Fran had a problem working the new fax machine and would like to have it looked at by the IT person to see if there is something wrong with the machine. He asked John if he had had any problems with it, John said that you should be careful when dialing on the fax machine. Kim is going to call Jeremy the IT person to come look at it.

Public Comment:

P. Cardinal- she asked about a statement that was made about housing rentals. The Board explained that the Township wasn't going to do anything about short term rental issues until we see what happens with the Senate bill being debated and voted on this fall.

B. Boensch thanked the Board and public for being very cordial.

M. Piotrowski asked for the minutes from the August 10th and 24th meetings.

Fran asked who the Pinewood spokesperson was going to be about the road issue at future meetings.

R. Zimmermann said he will stay in touch with the Board on the road issue in Pinewood.

There will be 2 people coming from Pinewood to talk about the roads in their subdivision at some time before the Road Commission meeting we have in March 2018.

Pay the Bills:

Moved by Semenick, Seconded by McAlindon, CARRIED to pay the bills and any that come in later.

Adjournment:

Moved by McAlindon, Seconded by Semenick, CARRIED to adjourn at 7:59pm

Kimberly Anderson
Whitney Township Clerk

