

Minutes for Regular Meeting of Whitney Township Board  
Held on January 8, 2019

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

Present: Semenick, McAlindon, Anderson, Gehris, Becker

Absent: None

Minutes:

Moved by McAlindon, Seconded by Gehris, CARRIED to approve the December 11, 2018 minutes, as printed.

Treasurer's Report:

John went over fund sheets for General Fund and Water Department

December 2018

General Fund

Income	\$22573.89	Disbursements	\$33537.79
Balance on Hand	\$104643.20		

Water Department

Income	\$19204.97	Disbursements	\$21162.74
Balance on Hand	\$35592.40		

There was a discussion about the furnace being replaced.

Moved by McAlindon, Seconded by Semenick, CARRIED to receive Treasurer's Report, subject to audit.

Zoning Report:

Ernie has retired and his assistant is going to take over the job.

There was a court date today for two issues; 1. Blight issue that must be cleaned up in the next 45 days and be kept clean for 2 years or person will be charged with contempt of court; 2. Fallen tree- there is a fallen tree on a trailer on Vera Lane.

Moved by Semenick, Seconded by McAlindon, CARRIED to appoint Michael Fil as the Zoning Administrator and Enforcement Officer.

Fran invited Michael to join us for the Local MTA meeting in Standish Township on January 17<sup>th</sup>.

Assessor's Report:

Jessica was not present for the meeting.

Fire Authority Report:

The lease for the fire barn was discussed at the last meeting, they do not want us to change the agreement.

Get a new document ready with the updated information for both the Township and the Fire Authority.

Sims-Whitney Utility Authority Report:

The pond was not dug deep enough to stop it from freezing up.

Don is resigning from the Authority Board. (letter attached)

Moved by McAlindon, Seconded by Gehris, CARRIED to appoint Fran Semenick to the Sims-Whitney Utility Authority Board.

Sims Whitney Cemetery/Transfer Station Report:

The Transfer Station had no issues with overflow of garbage at any time since July.

Don had to call North Coast to salt the driveway at the Transfer Station today, because Waste Management was worried about going off the road and into the ditch when they came to get the dumpsters emptied.

Public Comment:

R. Zimmermann asked about the pond down at the water plant. He was told that the pond is there for water that comes out of the plant to settle the chemicals before it goes to the lake.

Old Business:

Roads- Don was asked about how things went at the Road Commission Meeting. He stated that things went fine and he did ask to have Whitney Township meet with the Road Commission first to get the Township roads on the list first.

Nick Moore is happy with the road repair that was done on Andrews by his house.

We are probably not going to get cooperation from Turner Township on Mackinaw Road, so we are probably going to have to do a ¼ mile section of the road for our residents' benefit.

We may need to invent things to cover the last year of the 5-year road plan, because we are ahead of schedule. We might check into doing some ditching.

Out lawn mower for the road sides is working out well.

MTA Conference- Everyone is registered for the event and housing codes have been received. We should try to come up with a Township flag design.

B. Boensch has filed a FOIA request for records related to the Cemetery.

New Business:

Special Meeting for Planning Commission- there is a scheduled special meeting for the Planning Commission for February 18, 2019 to discuss the Short-Term Rental Ordinance and the Solar Ordinance.

Pre-Budget Meeting- Fran would like to hold the Pre-Budget meeting in late February instead of mid-March, because he is going to be out of town in March.

Moved by Becker, Seconded by Semenick, CARRIED to hold the Pre-Budget meeting on February 26, 2019 at 7pm.

Pay the Bills:

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

Adjournment:

Moved by Semenick, Seconded by McAlindon, CARRIED to adjourn at 8:13pm.

Kimberly Anderson

Whitney Township Clerk