

11-18-2019

Florence Township Regular Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00. The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting. There was a motion made and second to approve as amended. The motion passed. The treasurer's report is as follows: A beginning checking and money market balance of \$680,825.20, receipts of \$4,257.93, disbursements of \$18,154.50 for a total checking and money market balance of \$666,928.63. We still have the one CD for \$89,357.49 for a total cash and investments of \$756,286.12. There was a motion made and second to approve as presented. The motion passed.

Zoning-Paul and Sara Fried construct two solar panels at 33292 County 5 Blvd. They have the planning commission approval. There was a motion made and second to approve. The motion passed.

James Roper builds a 45x100 storage shed at 31542 West Florence Trail. They have the planning commission approval. There was a motion made and second to approve as presented. The motion passed.

Planning commission – We went through building permit fees. We have not heard anything from Doug Mahoney for quite some time about his mine. We recommend that the board reach out to him and see if he intends to go forward. We received a preliminary site plan but have not received a completed application. It is recommended that the Barton Street residents remove the materials they have put on Barton Street. MSA can help engineer the project if the board would like to make Barton Street an access to the lake. We will discuss what the planning commission's role with the parks will be at our next meeting. We still need to talk more about a zoning administrator. We changed wording for permit fees resolution. There was a motion made and second to approve the resolution for permit fees. The motion passed.

We received a letter from attorney Richardson. He is representing Ross Lundstrom and Jean Pontzer and Bruce Hansen concerning the Barton Street property. The board will contact Einar for advice on this situation.

HPC – Jamie Lorentzen from cemetery association talked to us about a project to restore the headstones in the cemetery. We a made motion to use surplus from 160th celebration for the cemetery restoration. HPC believes that opening Barton Street would not benefit the township. It is our opinion that it would be better used to have made into taxable property.

Parks no meeting

Friends of the town hall- We have a lot of information on the Olson genealogy and are trying to piece the information together. We are always looking for photographs and any information so if anyone has any please let us know.

Old Business-road maintenance the culvert on Ludlow will be done soon. We need to do something by Gary Ludwigs either put in a culvert or a burme and seed it. The debris was not completely picked up on Lake Ave. We picked up the north pile and the south pile.

New business- Jamie Lorentzen who is the chair of the cemetery association. Would like to hire a company called Northern Bedrock to restore the headstones in the cemetery. Interns trained in historic preservation would be doing the work on the tombstones. The total cost of the project will be about \$12,000.00. We have \$2,000.00 in donation so far. The town board can establish a fund for cemetery donations. There was a motion made and second to establish a fund for cemetery donations if there is a surplus the monies will be go back to the cemetery board. The motion passed.

All outstanding bills were paid

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45

Respectfully submitted

Susan M. Eisenmenger, Clerk