

WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 08, 2014 7:30 PM

Supervisor Jim Deming called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Board members present were Supervisor Deming, Treasurer Leanne Munn, Trustee Trevor Bennett and Trustee Barbara Thole. Clerk Shawn Fritz was absent. There were no citizens present. In the absence of Clerk Fritz, Supervisor Deming and Treasurer Munn requested that Trustee Thole take the minutes for the meeting. The call to order was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Deming asked for a motion to approve the August 4, 2014 board minutes. A motion was made by Ms. Munn and supported by Mr. Bennett. The motion was unanimously approved.

A bill listing was not available. A bill listing will be sent to board members by e-mail and an electronic vote taken.

The treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Munn. The balances were as follows: Trust & Agency \$509.23, General Checking \$1,732.47, General Savings \$27,026.82 and Tax Checking \$39,848.47.

There were no citizen comments or correspondence.

Zoning Enforcement/Ordinance Report-The owners of the property on 42nd Street with the blight problem had a court date. The judge made the decision to give them until November 15, 2014 to clean up the property. The court will follow up on November 17, 2014.

Board Member Report- Trustee Thole attended the August 27th meeting at SCMCCI.

Fire Authority Update- The Fire Authority will attend the October 6th board meeting to present the possibility of an assessment on property owners in those townships and villages that are members of the Fire Authority. This would be for fire only—not for EMT or Police purposes.

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Old Business:

A public hearing with the Planning Commission was held on August 25, 2014. The Planning Commission has completed their work on the new proposed zoning ordinance #41. The Planning Commission voted to send the proposed ordinance to the Wakeshma Township Board for adoption. Board members will be receiving an electronic copy of the ordinance and should be prepared take action at the October board meeting.

New Business:

A quote was received from Martin's Tree Service for the work that needs to be done on the tree in the park. There was discussion of some work that needs to be done at the North Cemetery as well. The quote for the park was \$1000. A motion was made by Mr. Deming and supported by Mr. Bennett to negotiate with Martins for an additional \$200 and have them take care of both the park and the cemetery issues. The motion was unanimously approved.

A written list was presented of the work that is to be done by whoever receives the contract to take care of the cemeteries. Supervisor Deming requested that the list be e-mailed to board members and suggested that the items on the list be part of the contract when the bids are put out next year for the care of the cemeteries.

There was discussion about the fenced property south of the township hall (formerly a gas station). Supervisor Deming requested that Clerk Fritz contact the DEQ to negotiate a release of the property to the township.

A motion was made by Treasurer Munn and supported by Supervisor Deming to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Barbara Thole, Trustee in absence of Clerk Fritz

