

**Regular Meeting
March 10, 2014 6:00 P.M.**

OPENING PRAYER: Offered by: Supervisor McCormick

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by: Supervisor McCormick

Call Meeting to order: By Supervisor McCormick

ROLL CALL: Arnold (x) Feger (a) Shallenberger (x) Hranka (x) Hiller (a)
Risinger (x) McCormick (x) Christianson (x)

Guests: Jim Yocum, Brian Manuel

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMENTS: Mr. Manuel commented that he would like to express his thanks to the Road division for all their work this past month.

Motion to Approve Minutes of: Regular Meeting February 10, 2014

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Arnold

Discussion: None

Voice Votes: All in favor: Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Tazewell County Clerk/ Recorder – Levy/Overlap Entry Proof. Christ Followers Church. - Contributions Statement. Creve Coeur Christian Church income guidelines.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by: Arnold

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)

Feger (-)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried:

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1.) **Finalize Goals:** Supervisor McCormick asks the board if there are any more goals to add. Trustee Shallenberger comments that he has no more to add. No additional from other trustee's.
- 2.) **Pioneer Committee Contract:** Supervisor McCormick asks the board if there are any additional questions or comments. There being none he states he is happy to have it finalized.
- 3.) **Recycling Program Clarification:** Trustee Hranka reports to the board that she has contacted the Tazewell County Health Dept. to explore possible options to eliminating the current recycling program. The consensus of the board at the February 2014 meeting was not to renew the contract due to the cost of operation to the township and user abuses. She reported that there may be a "onetime grant" available to possibly move the location to a less visible area. Add fencing and/or possibly security cameras to address some of the current abuse issues. The downside is that while this grant would be available this year it would not resolve the issue of cost overruns to the township with anticipated cost increases this year already. Supervisor McCormick thanks Trustee Hranka for investigating the options and adds it's only the 61535 zip code within the Township that is even using the service. He feels we should cut the program and entertains a motion to that end.

Motion to eliminate the recycling program:

Motion by: Arnold

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)

Feger (-)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried:

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) **Tentative Budget/Public Hearing:** Supervisor McCormick calls for a "Public Hearing" to address short term Town Fund shortfalls. He states that the Permanent Road & Road Funds are in very good shape right now and would have the funds to accommodate such a request. A Public Hearing is set for April 14, 2014 at 5:30PM just prior to the Regular Mtg. at 6:00PM.

Motion to have a Special Hearing

Motion by: Arnold

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)

Feger (-)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried:

2.) Set Agenda or Annual Town Meeting: Annual Town Meeting is set for April 8, 2014 at 6:00PM. The following items are suggested to be included on the agenda.

- 1.) Pioneer Committee Report.
- 2.) Recycling Decision
- 3.) Fire District Report
- 4.) Transfer of Funds from Road to Town Fund.

Road Commissioner's Report: Mr. Risinger reports that the figures in the "Tentative Budget" for next year may change due to this year's extreme weather. In addition to regular maintenance and the scheduled projects for the next year, the weather has highlighted a number of weak spots in the township that will now need to be addressed. These areas include culvert and ditch issues related to weak handling of water and or silt runoff in ditches. Mr. Risinger says it's tricky this time of year depending on how quickly the ground thaws and the amount of damage caused by heavy trucks for instance. These areas have been in need of a fix for several years and the extreme weather this year points out the need to now address these issues for the long term. He plans to contact Tazewell Co. Road engineer Dan Parr to assist in assessing the best way to address the problems. Otherwise, it's business as usual.

Assessor's Report: Mr. Hiller was not in attendance at this meeting but Deputy Assessor McCormick provided a brief report. The Board of Review has re-assessed properties in Dobblaie Hills after the loss of a few homes due to the landslide last year. They have re-assessed the entire subdivision which will result in approximately a half a million dollars in lost revenue. Inquires will be made with the Assessor and Gary Twist in Pekin to see if this can be challenged.

General Assistant Report: February/March 2013 by: Stephanie Stecken, Case Worker.

January/February CLIENT G.A. /E.A. EXPENDITURES: \$00

January/February E.A. REPORT: There were five inquires this month. Three clients were sent needed documents and two others were found not eligible.

January/February E.A. REIMBURSEMENTS: \$00
PAYING OF BILLS:

Motion to Pay Town Bills:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Arnold

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)

Feger (-)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried:

Motion to pay GA bills:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)

Feger (-)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried:

Motion to Pay Road & Bridge bills:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Arnold

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)

Feger (-)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried:

Motion to Pay Special or Permanent Road Bills:

Motion by: Arnold

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)
Feger (-)
Shallenberger (x)
Hranka (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried:

ESECUTIVE SESSION REQUEST: Supervisor McCormick asks for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. Guests are asked to leave at this time.

Motion to Call Executive Session at 6:30PM

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)
Feger (-)
Shallenberger (x)
Hranka (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried:

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Arnold

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (x)
Feger (-)
Shallenberger (x)
Hranka (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried:

Meeting Adjourned at 7:14PM

MOTION TO ADJOURN Regular Meeting by: Arnold

Second by: Shallenberger

Voice Votes: All in Favor

Motion Carried:

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:15PM

Respectfully Submitted: Pam Christianson Town Clerk