

**Regular Meeting
April 15, 2013 6:00 P.M.**

OPENING PRAYER offered by: Supervisor McCormick
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by: Supervisor McCormick
CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Supervisor McCormick

ROLL CALL: Arnold (p) Feger (p) Shallenberger (p) Manuel (p) Hiller (p)
McCormick (p) Risinger (p) Christianson (p)

Guests: Lisa Casey, Jim Yocum, Shelly Hranka

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMENTS: Lisa Casey asked about water problems near Casey's General Store and if something can be done. The ditch fills with water and she feels this may be a hazard for children living nearby. Mr. Risinger commented that this has been an ongoing problem with the culvert on the side street exit that was originally installed when Casey's was built. Delivery trucks especially this time of year using the side street entrance collapse the culvert causing the debris to back up and water not to flow properly. He has talked to Casey's a number of times to ask that they instruct vendors to exit on Springfield Rd. but this has not resulted in a permanent solution. The best long term solution says Mr. Risinger would be to install a concrete culvert that could withstand the weight but the cost of that would fall to the township and not the owners of the Casey's property. Lisa asked if the homeowners could pay all or part of those costs to have problem resolved. Mr. Risinger says he will talk with Tazewell Co. Supervisor of Highways to best assess the feasibility/costs for a long term solution.

Motion to Approve Minutes: March 18, 2013 Regular Meeting.

Motion by: Arnold

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Voice Votes: All in favor: Voice votes, all Aye. **Motion Carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1.) Thank You from Bill Clark Family
- 2.) Thank You from Phil Zimmerman family
- 3.) Letter of Interest from Claude Milam – Re-appointment to the Water Board.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT: **Motion by:** Manuel, **Second by:** Arnold

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Arnold:(y),Feger:(y),Shallenberger:(y),Manuel(y)McCormick(y) **Motion Carried:**

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) **Review the approximate amount of taxes to be received during the 2013-2014 year.** Mr. McCormick referred the board to page 1 showing the approximate amount of levy stating that we levy for the maximum amount due to "Tax Caps" but never get the full amount. Looking next at Road & Bridge this shows what individual municipalities receive from us from the amount that we levy. Page 2 shows Town & G.A. We should receive the 1st check in July.

2.) Motion to approve the Town Budget for 2013-2014.

Motion by: Feger,**Second by:** Shallenberger
Discussion: None

Roll Call: Arnold (y),Feger: (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (y)
Motion Carried:

3.) Motion to approve Road Budget for 2013-2014

Motion by: Arnold, **Second by:** Manuel
Discussion: None

Roll Call: Arnold (y),Feger: (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (y)
Motion Carried:

4.) Motion to approve the job description for Deputy Assessor.

Motion by: Manuel,**Second by:** Shallenberger
Discussion: None

Roll Call: Arnold (y),Feger: (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (y)
Motion Carried:

NEW BUSINESS:

1.) Re-appointment Claude Milam to the Water Board for the term May 2013- May 2018

Motion by: Manuel
Second by: Feger
Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (y),Feger: (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (y)
Motion Carried:

2.) Re-appoint Michael O'Brien to the Central Groveland Fire Protection District for the term May 2013- May 2016

Motion by: Arnold,**Second by:** Shallenberger
Discussion: None

Roll Call:Arnold (y),Feger: (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (y)
Motion Carried:

3.) Motion to appoint the Accounting Firm of Eric D. Jones & Co. as the accounting firm for Groveland Township

Motion by: Arnold,**Second by:** Manuel

Discussion: Mr. McCormick says the firm is well known and does accounting for 21 other townships. Mr. Feger asked if Wolf Tesser made a counter offer and will they transfer file's etc. Mr. McCormick says they did not make a counter offer and that he felt there would not be a problem with any transfer of information. No further discussion.

Roll Call:

Arnold (y),Feger: (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (y)

Motion Carried:

- 4.) Recommendation from the Assessor to appoint RaeLyn McCormick as Deputy Assessor at a salary of \$1200.00 a month – starting at a time to be mutually determined.**

Motion by: Arnold

Second by: Manuel

Discussion: Mr. McCormick commented that she has some training already and is currently in the process this week of completing more classes.

Roll Call:

Arnold (y),Feger: (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (a)

Motion Carried:

- 5.) Motion to appoint two members of the Pioneer Committee replacing Stephanie Stecken and Gail Fee.**
- 1.) Jim McCool term ending Nov. 2013**
 - 2.) Darlene Lawrence term ending Nov. 2014**

Motion by: Manuel

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: Stephanie Stecken has asked to resign as she now lives just outside the township boundaries. Mr. Manuel commented that these two spots will be for sub-committee roles.

Roll Call:

Arnold (y),Feger: (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (y)

Motion Carried:

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Dave Risinger.

Mr. Risinger reports they are working at getting roads up to speed but the rain has caused delays and that there are numerous problems because of the rain. Will be getting bids for needed improvements but, otherwise it's business as usual.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Ernie Hiller

Mr. Hiller reports that currently he is trying to keep up with phone calls from homeowners looking to have properties re-evaluated; likely due to the economy. There is also an interesting case where a homeowner was worried that she would be reported due to an unfinished bathroom in the home. The project of replacing fixtures has been problematic for her since she is unable herself and is waiting for her son to complete the project. Mr. Hiller does not feel reporting is within his duties.

General Assistant Report: March 19, 2013- April 15, 2013 by: Stephanie Stecken, Case Worker.

March/April CLIENT G.A. /E.A. EXPENDITURES: \$350.00

March/April G.A. REPORT: There were two inquiries this month. One sent documents needed for E.A. and the other who was eligible and received E.A.

March/April E .A. REIMBURSEMENTS: \$00

PAYING OF BILLS:

Motion to Pay Town Bills:

Motion by: Manuel

Second by: Arnold

Discussion: Supervisor McCormick comments that in the packet it shows that this month the property loan was paid in full. This was a double payment but a final one so it is nice to have that done. He also says "I think everything is now paid off with the exception of the Back Hoe", but it's still impressive.

Roll Call:

Arnold (y),Feger (y),Shallenberger (y),Manuel (y),McCormick (y)

Motion Carried:

Motion to pay GA bills:

Motion by: Feger, **Second by:** Arnold

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Arnold (y),Feger (y)Shallenberger (y) Manuel (y),McCormick (y)

Motion Carried:

Motion to Pay Road & Bridge bills:

Motion by: Manuel, **Second by:**Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (y)Feger (y)Shallenberger (y)Manuel (y)McCormick (y)

Motion Carried:

Motion to Pay Special or Permanent Road Bills:

Motion by: Arnold

Second by: Manuel

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Arnold (y),Feger (y),Shallenberger (y), Manuel (y),McCormick (y)

Motion Carried: .

MOTION TO ADJOURN by: Shallenberger

Second by: Manuel

All in favor: Voice Votes: All Aye's **Motion Carried.**

Meeting Adjourned at: 6:40PM

Respectfully Submitted: Pam Christianson Town Clerk