

**Regular Meeting
April 13, 2015 6:00 P.M.**

OPENING PRAYER: Offered by: Tony Feger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by: Tony Feger

Call Meeting to order: By: Tony Feger

ROLL CALL: Feger (x) Shallenberger (x) Hranka (x) McCool (x)
McCormick (-) McCormick (x) Christianson (x)

Guests: Jim Tabor, Marilyn Stevens, Brian Manuel, Dan Parr, John Replogle, Mike Breitbach, Troy Saunders, Mike Fehr and Tim Gillette,

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMENTS:

Bid Opening:

- 1.) P.A. Atherton Construction Inc. – Bid: \$535,153.65
- 2.) U.C.M. United Contractors. Midwest – Bid: \$389,361.51
- 3.) Illinois Civil Contractors Inc. – Bid: \$399,675.00

Motion to Approve Minutes of: Regular Meeting March 9, 2015

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: None

Voice Votes: All in favor: Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1.) Bill Compton's letter of resignation.
- 2.) Jim Tabors letter of interest for Township Trustee.
- 3.) Letter of interest for re-appointment to the Groveland Water Board from Marilyn Stevens.
Trustee Feger read each letter aloud. Trustee Hranka asked Marilyn Stevens about who might be Mr. Compton's successor. Ms. Stevens says that the Water Board is due to meet next week, she does not know what thoughts Mr. Compton may have at that time but thinks there could be a temporary chair until a permanent chair is appointed.

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

McCormick (-)

Motion Carried:

OLD BUSINESS:

1.) **Feger Situation.** Trustee Feger discussed with the board his 12hour/swing shift work situation and how that may affect his attendance at Regular Township meetings this year. He says he has been on the board for 10 years and does not like to have to miss meetings but the new work schedule is not negotiable. He is asking the board if they would be willing to have some flexibility in terms of moving time of scheduled meetings from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in June, July and October, the months that would be affected in. No one on the board had any objections noting that next month we set the dates for the Township Meetings.

2.) **Appointment of James Tabor to fill the remaining term of John Arnold.**

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: Trustee Hranka did ask Mr. Tabor about his background. Mr. Tabor gave the board a brief overview of his qualifications noting his residency, 30 plus year career with Caterpillar, his construction business, and longtime friendship with Dave Risinger. He further stated that if approved he will do his very best to fill John Arnold's shoes and serve the Township.

Roll Call:

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

McCormick (-)

Motion Carried:

NEW BUSINESS:

1.) **Motion to Approve Town Fund for 2015/2016 budget.**

Motion by:

Second by:

Discussion:

Roll Call:

Feger ()

Shallenberger ()

Hranka ()

McCormick ()

Motion Carried:

2.) **Motion to Approve the Road and Bridge 2015/2016 budget.**

Motion by:

Second by:

Roll Call:

Feger ()

Shallenberger ()

Hranka ()

McCormick ()

Motion Carried:

Trustee Feger states that budget approvals are tabled at this time.

3.) Motion to Review Bids until April 27, 2015

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: Trustee Hranka asks if the trustees can be involved in the review. Dan Parr comments that is up to the Road Commissioner to make the final decision but that townships function best with trustee involvement. Mr. Parr also says the decision to *accept* or *reject* bids must be made within 45 days and that the most responsible bid is not necessarily the lowest bid. Trustee Feger asked Mr. Parr if he will be available to assist in the process and thanked him for his input.

Roll Call:

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (-)

Motion Carried:

4.) Re-appointment of Marilyn Stevens

Motion by: Hranka

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (-)

Motion Carried:

Executive Session Request: by Assessor (potential litigation)

Assessor McCormick states that she has not been able to get together with Gary Twist and asks that this be tabled until next meeting.

Road Commissioner's Report: by Jim McCool:

Commissioner McCool reports we are getting a lot of things done but that there is still a lot to do. In addition to the very large Fahey Hollow, Country Club Estates, and Terminal Road projects there is still regular road maintenance; this will be a very busy year.

Assessor's Report: Raelyn McCormick:

Assessor McCormick reports 1 walk in, 11 phone calls from property owners, 3 from appraisers, 22 from Supervisor of Assessments Office, 1 from Village of Creve Coeur. Total Building permits for March and April will be reported at the next meeting.

Assessors Notes: The Assessor Books were turned in April 2, 2015. There are two commercial properties that still need to be measured and will be added before May 1.

We are still working on the Agreement with Morton regarding the Trails at Timber Oaks. We need clarification from Mr. Redlingshafer about the property borders and final changes regarding the number of the lots in question.

I have hired two full time Field Workers for the summer. Garrett Lawson from Pekin and David Hudson from Creve Coeur will be canvassing neighborhoods and verifying that the information on the Property Record Cards is correct. They will also be assisting with updating property photos and assisting me with the new construction. Jason will be working a minimal number of hours during the summer primarily maintaining the database and tracking building permits.

General Assistant Report: Mar/Apr 2015 by: Stephanie Stecken, Case Worker.

Mar/Apr CLIENT G.A. /E.A. EXPENDITURES: \$350.00

Mar/Apr G.A. REPORT: There were four inquires this month. 1.) Client not eligible. 2.) Client did not meet residency requirements and will see where they stand after the 90 day requirement is met. 3.) Client needed to acquire appropriate documentation that she was not eligible for unemployment. 4.) Client met eligibility for E.A.

Mar/Apr E.A. REIMBURSEMENTS: \$00

PAYING OF BILLS:

Motion to Pay Town Bills:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (-)

Motion Carried:

Motion to pay GA bills:

Motion by: Hranka

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (-)

Motion Carried:

Motion to Pay Road & Bridge bills:

Motion by: Hranka

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (-)

Motion Carried:

Motion to Pay Special or Permanent Road Bills:

Motion by: Hranka

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Hranka (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (-)

Motion Carried:

Trustee Hranka asks that we schedule discussion and review of the Barb Hart Scholarship on the agenda for next month's meeting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN by: Hranka **Second by:** Shallenberger

Voice Votes: All in Favor Motion Carried:

Meeting Adjourned at: 6:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Pam Christianson, Town Clerk