

**Regular Meeting**  
**July 13, 2015 7:30 P.M.**

**OPENING PRAYER:** Offered by: Supervisor Dan McCormick

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by: Supervisor Dan McCormick

**Call Meeting to order:** By: Supervisor Dan McCormick

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

**Guests:** Gordon Sweatt, Brian Manuel, Dave & Vicky Blackford

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMENTS:** Brian Manuel asked about combining Fire Boards if they agree to do that. Supervisor McCormick says the problem with combining Fire Boards is the differences in tax rates and that it would be difficult to get a referendum on the ballot that makes sense. Vicky Blackford asked about plans for Terminal Rd, specifically if the road would be blacktop or gravel. Supervisor McCormick and Road Commissioner McCool both said that Townships historically do not build roads; they "maintain" roads, so this is a very unusual situation. Mr. McCool says the road will be gravel and that we will need to see how the road reacts over a two year period before any consideration of blacktop. Additionally, the road will require extra maintenance like new ditches etc. over time to manage how the water impacts the new road. Supervisor McCormick reminds everyone that a special assessment for the residents along Terminal was taken off the table and that the cost of what we are doing is 3 times the amount of the annual road maintenance budget. In addition to all of these costs is \$28,000 in legal fees just to get the road defined as Groveland Township. On the upside the ownership issue does resolve the motor fuel tax that will now come in. Along the way we have had Mike Smith who was able to obtain a \$50,000 grant for the road district along with Senator Koehler who helped by talking to CILCO about moving the electrical towers.

**Motion to Approve Minutes of:** June 8, 2015 Regular Meeting

**Motion by:** Shallenberger

**Second by:** Tabor

**Discussion:** None

**Voice Votes:** All voted Aye: - Motion Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 1.) Letter of interest Nicholas Smith.
- 2.) Property Tax Settlement Sheets.
- 3.) Terminal Rd. Bid Tabulation Sheet.
- 4.) Letter to the Assessor.
- 5.) Thank you from Mary Peak.

**APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Motion by:** Feger

**Second by:** Shallenberger

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call:**

**Feger (x)**  
**Shallenberger (x)**  
**Hranka (-)**  
**Tabor (x)**  
**McCormick (x)**  
**Motion Carried:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1.) Review the Terminal Road Information and bids – Mr. McCool reports that ICCI was awarded contract in the second bid process. Hopefully, work will begin by the end of August. Supervisor McCormick commented that this reflects about a \$58,000 difference from the first bid.
- 2.) Review the Applicants for the Barb Hart Scholarship. There are five applicants (one girl and four boys) this year for the Barb Hart Scholarship. The board of Trustee's reviewed the essays of the five applicants and selected to award Summer Ziegler (by default) for the girl and Andrew Janssen for the boy. Assessor McCormick suggested that we send thank you letters to the non-winners.
- 3.) Fire Applicants - We have one on file, do you want to wait for more applicants or approve this one?

**Motion to Table Nicholas Smith application:**

**Motion by:** Feger

**Second by:** Shallenberger

**Discussion:** Because there would not be time for an interview process and we would like to see if we get more interest Trustee Feger suggests we let the Fire Board know and to give us more applicants.

**Roll Call**

**Feger (x)**  
**Shallenberger (x)**  
**Hranka (-)**  
**Tabor (x)**  
**McCormick (x)**  
**Motion Carried:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Road Commissioner's Report: by Jim McCool:** Everything is going good. Road Commissioner McCool provided a list of all the things happening in the Road District over the last six months.

**TERMINAL ROAD:** Since January 1<sup>st</sup> approximately 25 times we have been there with the back hoe and put at least 60 tons of millings down.

**COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES:** Olympia Fields Job: 2 Type A inlets with 70' pf 12" pipe tilled and seeded. This job is complete.

**FAHEY HOLLOW BRIDGE:** We trimmed trees and had approximately 20 loads by April 1<sup>st</sup>. we also removed trees, replaced pipe with 42" collar up to box and flared end, put road back, and spray patched. Head Wall will be replaced at a future date.

**BESSLER LAKE RD.** Cored out 60' of road, spray patched & ditched.

**EISLE ROAD:** Cored out 60' of road 18' deep and replaced. Spray patched 150' of road and also ditched about 1,500' of road.

**LAMPE ROAD:** Cored out 70' of road and put back and spray patched. A two pipe crossing and several 100' of ditching is to be done at a later date.

**ROTH ROAD:** Pot holes filled and spray patching is done.

**STONE GATE:** Due to not being seal coated sooner the top layer is badly cracked. This lets water between lifts which causes pavement to heave onto curb. This has led to us to have to saw out the black top one to two feet from the curb.

**MISCELLANEOUS WORK:** We have been doing pot-hole repair, shoulder work, cleaning ditches, picking up TV's, tires, chairs, beds and couches that were "kindly" left out for us. Trimming trees around the Township, lots of mowing along with servicing trucks and equipment.

**DITCHING WORK DONE ON THE FOLLOWING ROADS:** Matheny, Veterans, Pleasant Hill, Bloomington Rd, Sheridan (3 day job), California, Zion Oaks.

**Assessor's Report: RaeLyn McCormick:** Assessor McCormick reports 22 phone calls this month. (10) from taxpayers, (11) from the Supervisor of Assessments, and (1) from Morton Township. There were also a number of building permits – Creve Coeur (8), Marquette Heights (0) Tazewell Co. (3). East Peoria May (19) June (9), Pekin: have not received update in last 2 months. Garrett and Paul have finished Marquette Heights as of this past Friday. Section 18 (Marquette Heights) is comprised of 880 parcels of property. Each parcel was photographed (front, rear, and any outbuildings), the dwellings compared to the existing Property Record Card and anything not listed was sketched and measured. This is a huge accomplishment especially when you consider the weather this summer!!

We have sporadically worked on the Construction Database which currently has 552 Building Permits listed. At this time, we have completed approximately 75. We will spend the remaining part of the summer and fall completing the Construction Database and all new constructions (35).

Additionally, we currently have a list of 142 properties to be revalued, and the list keeps growing. Most of these properties are under assessed. In an effort not to burden the taxpayer, these will be incrementally raised over a period of several years until they reach full appraisal value.

The Trail of Timer Oaks Intergovernmental Agreement with Morton Township has been completed and filed with the County Clerk.

**General Assistant Report: May/June 2015 by: Stephanie Stecken, Case Worker.**

**May/June CLIENT G.A./E.A. EXPENDITURES: \$00**

**May/June G.A. REPORT:** There were two inquires this month. One client was sent documents needed for EA but so far has not returned them. Another client who has applied and received EA the past two years was sent documents that were returned incomplete and with outdated income information. She did call while I was on vacation but was also seen by me at a local event and so far has not called back.

**May/June E.A. REIMBURSEMENTS: \$00**

**Executive Session Request:**

**PAYING OF BILLS:**

**Motion to Pay Town Bills:**

**Motion by:** Shallenberger

**Second by:** Feger

**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call**

**Feger (x)**  
**Shallenberger (x)**  
**Hranka (-)**  
**Tabor (x)**  
**McCormick (x)**  
**Motion Carried:**

**Motion to pay GA bills:**

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

**Roll Call:**

**Feger (x)**  
**Shallenberger (x)**  
**Hranka (-)**  
**Tabor (x)**  
**McCormick (x)**  
**Motion Carried:**

**Motion to Pay Road & Bridge bills:**

**Motion by:** Shallenberger  
**Second by:** Tabor  
**Discussion:** None

**Roll Call:**

**Feger (x)**  
**Shallenberger (x)**  
**Hranka (-)**  
**Tabor (x)**  
**McCormick (x)**  
**Motion Carried:**

**Motion to Pay Special or Permanent Road Bills:**

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

**Roll Call:**

**Feger (x)**  
**Shallenberger (x)**  
**Hranka (-)**  
**Tabor (x)**  
**McCormick (x)**  
**Motion Carried:**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN by:** Shallenberger      **Second by:** Tabor  
**Voice Votes: All in Favor   Motion Carried:**  
**Meeting Adjourned at:   8:30 PM**

**Respectfully Submitted:** Pam Christianson, Town Clerk