

**Regular Meeting
August 10, 2015 6:00 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 (x) Tabor (x) McCool (x)
McCormick (x) McCormick (x) Christianson (x)

Guests: Jim Yocum, Brian Manuel, Gordon Sweatt, Claude Milam, Scholarship winners Andrew Janssen & Summer Ziegler.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMENTS Claude Milan asked if the Township sprays for mosquitoes ... response from McCormick and McCool is that the Township does not spray for mosquitoes. Trustee Shallenberger commented that Creve Coeur still does as far as he knows..

Scholarship winners Summer Ziegler & Andrew Janssen were introduced to the board and presented with their award by Supervisor McCormick. Summer will be attending University of Illinois pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Biology, and Andrew is in his second year at Illinois Central College.

Motion to Approve Minutes of: July 13, 2015 Regular Meeting

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: None

Voice Votes: All voted Aye: - Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1.) Library Report
- 2.) Follow-up letter to Jared Smith
- 3.) Letter of interest from Fire Board applicants

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by: Feger

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Feger (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Hranka (x)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried

Audit Review: Eric Jones – Mr. Jones reviewed his report with the Township Board noting his findings are better than he expected. He states that he gives the Township an A+ for everything that has been accomplished over the past year. Most of the previous issues have been resolved with the exception of the replacement tax issue. He also says that Dan has met with the Attorney who recommends negotiating a settlement of some kind and that he agrees with those recommendations. Additionally, the non-audit year review has been approved by a three person committee and will be filed with the County Clerk's office.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1.) **Motion to resolve the Replacement Tax issue using the expertise of the auditor and attorney.**

Motion by: Hranka

Second by: Feger

Discussion: Supervisor McCormick says that this will be on next month's agenda and asks the board to talk to people they know about this

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

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) **Motion to approve the series of 3 Appropriation Transfers to eliminate the negative fund balances.**

Motion by: Tabor

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

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

- 2.) **Change the November meeting from November 9th at 6:00pm to November 16th at 5:00pm.**

Motion by: Feger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: Supervisor McCormick states the need for this motion is to work around Tony's work schedule and upcoming State Conference.

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

3.) Change the March, 2016 meeting from March 14th, 2016 to March 21st, 2016

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: Supervisor McCormick says the need here is to move closer to the end of the month to pay bills prior to the end of the fiscal year.

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

Executive Session Request: by Assessor. None Requested

Road Commissioner's Report: by Jim McCool:

Commissioner McCool reports things are moving along and says Lampe Rd is finished, but they are still working to finish ditching on about 70 miles of roads in the township, it's a big job.

Assessors Report by RaeLyn McCormick:

This month there was (1) walk-in... 12 (taxpayer) phone calls and 6 (county) calls.

Building Permits- Creve Coeur – 7, East Peoria – 8 (2- new homes), Marquette Heights -- 0, Morton -- 0, Pekin 2 Tazewell County – 8.

Due to all the rain this summer, I have monies that were allocated for the summer that were not spent. I have hired Garrett Lawson to stay on this fall, part time, and assist me in the field. Jason will return next week and will continue to do computer work on a part-time basis.

Additionally, I have received the attached letter from Gary Twist indicating that Groveland Township will be receiving an Equalization factor of 1.022. This will be applied to all properties in Groveland Township. The Township Equalization Factor is the statistical multiplier required to bring the average three year median level of assessments to the state mandated level of 33.33% of market value. In simpler terms, properties are selling for more money than their assessed value.

General Assistant Report: July/Aug 2015 by: Stephanie Stecken, Case Worker.

July/Aug CLIENT G.A./E.A. EXPENDITURES: \$00

There were eight (8) inquires this month. Five clients were found not eligible, three clients were sent documents and there were no clients found eligible. One client who has a complicated case may be eligible in the near future when documentation is verified.

July/Aug G.A. REPORT: July/Aug E.A. REIMBURSEMENTS: \$00

Trustee Feger says he plans to contact the Fire Board appointee's for interview the week of the 17th then hold a Special Meeting on Monday August 24th at 6:00PM to finalize the appointments.

PAYING OF BILLS:

Motion to Pay Town Bills:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Feger (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Hranka (x)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried

Motion to pay GA bills:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Feger (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Hranka (x)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried

Motion to Pay Road & Bridge bills:

Motion by: Tabor

Second by: Feger

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Feger (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Hranka (x)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried

Motion to Pay Special or Permanent Road Bills:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: None

Roll Call: Feger (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Hranka (x)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried

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

Voice Votes: All in Favor **Motion Carried:**

Meeting Adjourned at: 6:55 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Pam Christianson, Town Clerk