

**Regular Meeting
January 17, 2017 5:00 P.M.**

OPENING PRAYER: Offered by: Supervisor McCormick

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by: Supervisor McCormick

Call Meeting to order: By: Supervisor McCormick

ROLL CALL: Feger (x) Shallenberger (x) Tabor (x) McCool (x) McCormick (x) McCormick (x) Christianson (x)
Guests: Marvin Claussen

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMENTS: None

Approve Minutes for: December 19, 2016 Minutes of Regular Meeting:

Motion by:

Second by:

Discussion: One Correction in Assessors report; should read assessment year and not fiscal year.

All in favor: All vote Aye

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1.) Communication from Steven Griem & Co. P.C. This is from the company that took over for Eric Jones who recently retired and sold the business. The new company has retained Eric's entire staff.
- 2.) Letter of interest from Michael Tonsor
- 3.) Letter of interest from Michael Turner
- 4.) Note of Interest from Ruby Cunefere
- 5.) Illinois State Board of Education Marl Haller
- 6.) Christmas Card from Claude & Judy Milam
- 7.) Thank you from the family of Jim Mamer

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Feger

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Feger (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried

Executive Session: For the purpose of discussing personnel.

Motion to go into Executive session:

Motion by: Feger

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Feger (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Motion to appoint Mike Turner for new trustee to fill an unexpired term.**

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Feger

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried

2. **Spray Patch Bid.** No bids were received so a notice will be posted in the Pekin Times 2 times before next meeting along with website notice.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Appoint Chairman for the February Reg. Mtg. Motion to appoint John Shallenberger.**

Motion by: Feger

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried

2. **Motion to allow the Road Commissioner to transfer \$20,000 into CD from the Road & Bridge Fund for the purpose of building renovations.**

Motion by: Tabor

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: Supervisor McCormick states extra money will be set aside in a CD and earmarked for road building improvements/replacement that are sorely needed.

Roll Call

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried

3. **Motion to allow the Road Commissioner to transfer \$80,000 into a CD from the Permanent Road Fund for the purpose of purchasing a truck.**

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Feger

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried

4. Discuss and approve the Assessor's plan to renovate her office at a cost of \$7,000.00

Motion was made to allow the Assessor to explore construction of the new space.

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Tabor

Discussion: The assessor shared with the board the budget for next year saying there is a need to enclose the office due to sound and traffic coming into the office that causes distraction and for the need for privacy of conversations of township residents who come into the office.

Roll Call

Feger (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Tabor (x)

McCormick (x)

Motion Carried

Road Commissioner's Report: by Jim McCool:

Commissioner McCool says the weather this winter has been nice in terms of snow but this year's salt use has been mostly for ice. He also wanted to discuss employee insurance premiums that are now being charged under the new provider especially as it relates to long time employee Nick Gauwitz. He is now paying a premium that he has not had to pay in the past but feels Mr. Gauwitz' long term employment and loyalty to the Township could/should be rewarded by dropping this monthly premium. Supervisor McCormick says he spoke with Mr. Gauwitz last week but offered to discuss the issue again with him to clarify the reasons more fully. He goes on to say that, on the advice of the Township Attorney, if this premium was "waived" for one employee that would leave the door open for other employee's to request a similar exemption. Trustee Shallenberger says he doesn't want to go against the advice of counsel. Trustee Feger says his employer compensated their employee's with a raise in salary to help compensate for the increased costs to employees. Commissioner McCool would still like evaluate if there may be any possible alternatives.

Assessors Report: by RaeLyn McCormick:

Assessor McCormick reports:

Phone calls: 2-(taxpayers) and 4- (Supervisor of Assessments).

Building Permits: 3-Creve Coeur, 0-County, 1- East Peoria, 2- Marquette Heights, 0- Morton, 0- Pekin.

As you can see from the Building Permits, obtained in December, things are slowing down. We looked at everything on the database and all New Constructions one last time before Dec. 31st.

Almost all of the sketching/sketching is complete and are about we are about 1/3 complete with revaluing properties. We have the new books and they should be completed no later than May 1, 2017.

General Assistant Report: Dec/Jan 2016 by: Stephanie Stecken, Case Worker.

Dec/Jan CLIENT G.A/E.A. EXPENDITURES: \$300.00

Dec/Jan G.A. REPORT – There were three (3) inquires this month. Two (2) clients were sent needed documents and one (1) other met eligibility based on the last 30 day income and most resent bank statements was awarded EA of \$300.00

Dec/Jan E.A. REIMBURSEMENTS: \$.00

PAYING OF BILLS:

Motion to Pay Town Bills:

Motion by: Feger

Second by: Shallenberger

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Feger (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried

Motion to pay GA bills:

Motion by: Shallenberger

Second by: Feger

Discussion: None

Roll Call:

Feger (x)
Shallenberger (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)
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)
Tabor (x)
McCormick (x)
Motion Carried:

MOTION TO ADJOURN by: Motion by: Feger

Second by: Tabor

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

Meeting Adjourned at: 5:55PM

Respectfully Submitted: Pam Christianson Town Clerk