

Regular Meeting

January 16, 2018 6:00 P.M.

OPENING PRAYER Offered by: Supervisor Shalenberger

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by: Supervisor Shallenberger

Meeting called to order by: Supervisor Shallenberger

ROLL CALL: Bresnahan (x) Hranka (x) Lawson (-) Pentecost (x) Shallenberger (x) McCormick (x) McCool (x) Christianson (x)

Guests: Carrie Hodges Bennett, Gordon Sweat, Lanae Tjarks, Brian Manual.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & COMMENTS: Carrie Hodges-Bennett, resident of Country Club Estates, addressed the board with a complaint against Road Commissioner McCool. She offered a written two page complaint and handed out photos to the board to demonstrate her point. Her complaint centers on snow being placed on top of the drain in front of her property. She claims that no other drain in Country Club Estates have a drain covered with snow and feels she is being deliberately singled out because of a past incident with what she calls a "renovation" she hadn't "cleared" with the commissioner. She says she asked him to stop putting snow in her front yard or on top of the drain but says he told her that it was his right to deposit the snow there because of the easement and that when the snow melts it goes down the drain. She says in her complaint that she again asked him "very nicely" to stop but he refused to take the snow to the end of the street where she says it usually goes. She then claims he became very angry and continued to plow and feels he was using the truck to intimidate by driving it directly at her. She does admit however in her written complaint that she stood on the curb and refused to move. She goes on to say that she attempted to resolve the issue in a subsequent phone call but disconnected that call after being told that "he has all the right to put snow in her yard and to get over it" She further claims that her son spoke to Jim and was told essentially the same thing. At this point Supervisor Shallenberger broke in commenting that this was the first he had heard there was a problem and that we needed to move on with the meeting but suggested that maybe the road foreman Nick could plow her street if that would help. He also suggested that they could not resolve the issue tonight but would look into what could be done to resolve the situation. Two other guests, Gordon Sweat and Brian Manual expressed their gratitude to the Road Dept. for the excellent work they do and have done on their streets, that they have not had any issues.

Approve Minutes for: December 18, 2017 Minutes Regular Meeting:

Motion by: Hranka

Second by: Bresnahan

Discussion: None

All in favor: Aye - 4 Nay - 0 Absent - 1

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Thank you for donation to the Barb Hart Scholarship Fund by Debbie & Kirk Anderson (Barb's daughter and son-in-law)
2. Thank you for road crew from Morton District 709 Transportation Department

APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by: Pentecost

Second by: Bresnahan

Discussion: Supervisor Shallenberger reviewed with the board the income, expenses, GA for town and Road & Bridge and Special Rd.

Roll Call

Bresnahan (x)

Hranka (x)

Lawson (-)

Pentecost (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Motion Carried

Old Business: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Presentation of Assessors 2018-2019 Budget (Discussion only)**

2. **Sexual Harassment Policy**
Motion by: Hranka
Second by: Bresnahan
Discussion: None
Roll Call
Bresnahan (x)
Hranka (x)
Lawson (-)
Pentecost (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Motion Carried

3. **Appointment: Joseph Gropp to replace Matt McMorro on the Central Groveland Fire Protection District**
Motion by: Bresnahan
Second by: Hranka
Discussion: None
Roll Call
Bresnahan (x)
Hranka (x)
Lawson (-)
Pentecost (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Motion Carried

Road Commissioner's Report by Jim McCool

Trustee Bresnahan asked Commissioner McCool about the status of the new truck and if it is being used for snow removal yet. Commissioner McCool reported that the new truck, as of this time, has not been modified for that purpose. Commissioner McCool also responded to the complaint made by Carrie Hodges-Bennett saying he does not agree with her recollection of events saying much of what she has said in her written complaint did not happen as she reports. He also states that his 30 plus years of experience, in his opinion, more than qualifies him to make the decision as to what is the best course of action for removal of snow on her street.

Assessors Report by RaeLyn McCormick

Assessor McCormick said there were two (2) building permits this month. Because this is the slow time of year that from now until April she will be working on valuing properties and Garrett will be working on "Exemptions".

General Assistant Report (Dec 2017/Jan 2018) by Stephanie Stecken, Case Worker

Dec/Jan CLIENT G.A./E.A. EXPENDITURES:

Dec/Jan G.A. REPORT: There was only one (1) inquiry this month. Client inquired last month but did not follow through but called back this month. After being sent required documents and having her bank FAX her bank statement for the past 30 days client's income was over the allotted amount for Township assistance. Client was determined not eligible.

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

Executive Session Request: None Requested

PAYING OF BILLS:

Motion to Pay Town Bills:

Motion by: Bresnahan

Second by: Pentecost

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Bresnahan (x)

Hranka (x)

Lawson (-)

Pentecost (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Motion Carried

Motion to pay GA bills:

Motion by: Pentecost

Second by: Bresnahan

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Bresnahan (x)

Hranka (x)

Lawson (-)

Pentecost (x)

Shallenberger (x)

Motion Carried

Motion to Pay Road & Bridge bills:

Motion by: Bresnahan

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Bresnahan (x)
Hranka (x)
Lawson (-)
Pentecost (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Motion Carried

Motion to Pay Special or Permanent Road Bills:

Motion by: Bresnahan

Second by: Hranka

Discussion: None

Roll Call

Bresnahan (x)
Hranka (x)
Lawson (-)
Pentecost (x)
Shallenberger (x)
Motion Carried

MOTION TO ADJOURN by: Motion by: Pentecost **Second by:** Bresnahan

Voice Votes: All in Favor **Motion Carried:** **Meeting Adjourned at: 6:45 PM**

Respectfully Submitted: Pam Christianson, Town Clerk