

FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
February 12, 2018 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Rachael Fontaine, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: R. Fontaine, A. Wagner D. Wellman, H. Coyne, G. Boudreau
Members absent: None
Audience sheet attached.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment

AGENDA

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to approve the Agenda.

MINUTES

Received Minutes:

Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes – January 8, 2018

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED to accept the Township Board regular meeting minutes as read.

REPORTS

Received Reports.

- a. January 2018 Financial Reports: A. Wagner reports that Treasurer and Clerk were in balance with the bank.

Moved G. Boudreau, seconded, H. Coyne, CARRIED to acknowledge the financial reports.

Moved A. Wager, seconded, G. Boudreau that \$730.00 be transferred from Contingency Expense control to Street Light Expense to cover overage in Budget.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Planning Commision meeting minutes from January 2018
2. Delta Solid Waste Management minutes from December 2017 and January 2018
3. DEQ report showed that Ford River Townships water is within appropriate rage for the Copper and Lead levels.

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Received the Fireman's Report of January 2018– Maintenance Reports/Treasurer's Report:

- Brian Nelson, Fire Chief, was present.
- a. nothing outstanding on reports

- b. Bill for Piron Trucking for maintenance oil changes to be paid for fire dept.
- c. Bill for Northgate equipment presented in packet, this bill paid prior to meeting, as received by clerk.

Moved R. Fountaine, seconded, G. Boudreau, CARRIED to the accept the Fire report.

Fire Chief Updates

- a. Fireman's boot from Meister party store collected \$82.06 from December 2017-January 2018
- b. Besse Foundation presented a \$20,000 Grant to all fire departments in Delta County, Fire Chief plans to apply for new Jaws of Life equipment. Chief to fill out application and apply. Chief plans to either use the 2% grant with Casino, if received or Fundraising funds for the extra costs. The old equipment will be utilized until they can replace all parts.
- c. There were two fire calls in January 2018 with two billable accidents, both bills have been mailed.
- d. Brian provided fire department budget report to board for planning on next year budget.

MFR

Todd Holland is not present at this time, report provided to board prior to meeting

- a. 148 MFR Calls in through January 2018. (10 requested in January)
- b. Todd provided budget for MFR per R. Fountaine request for budget workshop.

WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS

- a. Water report accepted for January

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded G. Boudreau, CARRIED to accept water reports.

- b. Mark noted there were leaks in water system on customers end. All accounts with leaks have been shut off and customers have been notified.
- c. Three accounts were shut off for no pay, two accounts turned back on, one account had leak, will remain shut off until spring when customer returns.
- d. Jamison Gould has replaced water lines, Clerk will bring balance to board meeting in March to be forgiven. Gould will notified that the bill will be sent next month to show the leak was properly fixed.
- e. Billing register shows Linda Erickson with high usage, two accounts per M. Rose read as one. Kim Lombardi has a high usage this month, M. Rose states a leak was previous to payment plan given. Dan Mayrands account has a high usage as there was a leak on their end. Rusch Camp reflects a leak, they were shut off until when they return in Spring. Brandon Swanson had a higher usage, due to leaky toilet, M. Rose has been in contact and leak is fixed. Clerk has noted all accounts in RVS. 13 Shut off Notices were sent out this month.
- f. M. Rose provided water budget consideration to R. Fountaine per her request.
- g. M. Rose provided battery backup quote to the board.

- h. Gary Lark, Ford River Lions Club, is requesting to be put on Ford River Water system with a reduced rate. New water customer paperwork provided to Ford River Lions Club. They will be responsible for upfront cost of water services. The Lions Club is responsible to contact Mark Rose once Contractor is chosen. At this time there is no 'non profit' rate. Board will be looking into this in future.
- i. Mark Rose is requesting service upgrades, included in budget report provided to R. Fountaine.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to purchase battery backup and surge protector for the well house, not to exceed \$200.00.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded A. Wagner, CARRIED to have Tad Fountaine be the new maintenance person. R. Fountaine abstained from voting.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Payment of bills

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, R. Fountaine, CARRIED, to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$29,902.82 and the Water Fund in the amount of \$3,803.73.

- b. R. Fountaine had applied for wood chips for the playground through Par Plan Grant of \$4000.00, Township will match grant for purchase of wood chips. We will also have to rent a backhoe to spread them out. We will only be purchasing what is needed. R. Fountaine is in charge of paperwork for all of these as she is the contact person. Grant needs to be complete before 6 months from date of grant, which will be August 2018.
- c. Budget workshop will take place February 28, 2018 at 6pm.
- d. Budget hearing will take place March 12, 2018 at 7pm.
- e. Board has been receiving applications for assessor position. Board will be provided with all applications, to review then bring opinion of applicants to be interviewed at meeting on February 28, 2018. All further applications will be taken into consideration as we accept applications until March 8, 2018. A special meeting will be held at further date for interviews.
- f. All reappointments will take place for ZBA positions. R. Fountaine has created a composition chart that supervisor will keep updated with what positions that are appointed will be coming to an end, clerk to use this for current postings on board.

Moved, R. Fountaine, seconded G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to appoint Ray Fettig to complete Nola Asgaard's term expiring December 31, 2018 on Zoning Board of Appeals and appoint, Kristi Jaeger as planning commission member of Zoning Board of Appeals to complete Ray Fettig's term ending in 2020.

- g. Township Association is requesting each township get fundraising from local business' for raffle for 911 signs. R. Fontaine will contact Ford River Pub, A. Wagner will contact Breezy Point. Each township has pledged \$5,000 towards 911 Address signs. No size or color for 911 signs have been determined yet. Addresses will all need to be verified that they are correct.
- h. Mike Carey, state senate candidate presented to board and audience his proposal for this years election.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded A. Wagner, CARRIED, to please \$5,000.00 to the 911 sign commity.

Aye: R. Fontaine, A. Wagner, G. Boudreau, D. Wellman, H. Coyne
Nay: None
Absent: None

PUBLIC/BOARD COMMENT

Brian Nelson mentioned Christmas tree lights are still on, R. Fontaine will shut off the lights.

Moved, G. Boudreau, seconded, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to adjourn at 8:24 p.m.

Hannah Coyne, Clerk:



Approved:

