

CHESTER TOWNSHIP MINUTES-Regular Meeting

August 8, 2016

Supervisor Meerman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Other Board members present: Dianne Berenbrock, Troy Goodno, Ed Kelly & Jan Redding.

Agenda Approval-

Motion by DB to approve the agenda as presented. Second-EK, motion carries.

Public Comment-

None

Consent Agenda-

Minutes of 7/11/2016.

Financial report & payment of bills.

Motion by DB to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Second-EK, motion carries.

Township Reports-

Community Policing-monthly report was presented. Deputy Allison Anderson was present to receive the signed "Thank You" poster of appreciation from Chester Township residents. Donations were collected for the Deputy David Steenwyk & Deputy Matt Chatfield Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Planning Commission-TG presented a review from the last meeting.

Fire Department-Chief Sheridan was not in attendance, but his written report was read.

Unfinished Business-

None

New Business-

Cemetery Ordinance Review-JR reported on a recent educational session put on by MTA on cemetery management. The current township ordinance was written in 2000 and should be reviewed for possible updating in some areas. A draft ordinance from MTA will be looked at for the next meeting.

Library Representative-motion by EK to appoint Sarah Weber as Chester Township Representative to the Coopersville Area District Library Board. Second-GM, motion carries.

L-4029/Truth-in-Taxation Certificate-the documents were reviewed and signed.

Klein Fireworks Permit-the application was reviewed and found to be complete. Motion by Goodno to approve. Second-EK, motion carries. The insurance carrier and Chief Sheridan will be notified.

Planner-the contract with Greg Ransford for planning services was reviewed. Motion by GM to approve the contract as presented. Second-DB, motion carries.

Board Member Discussion-

A resolution from Ferrysburg City Council regarding fireworks regulation was read. They were encouraging the Michigan Legislature revise the Fireworks Safety Act to allow for more local control.

Improvements to the fencing at the ball fields were discussed. JR will pursue a grant from the insurance company.

Upcoming road projects through 2022 were reviewed on a draft proposal from Ottawa County.

Adjournment-

Motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Janice Redding

Chester Township Clerk

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