

June 16, 2014

Supervisor Fleming called the regular meeting of the Jonesfield Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Pledge to the flag.

PRESENT: Fleming, Parker, Foye, Siler & Tibbits

ABSENT: None

GUEST: Sharon Kackmeister; Duane Foye; Representative Ben Glardon

PERMITS:

6-14-J-M2	Stacie Mundo	Mechanical
W-71-14	Gary Pretzer	Plumbing
8-14-J	Rick Knapp	Electrical
10-14-J	Yvonne Buckley	Building
10-14-J	Gerald Buckley	Mechanical
10-14-J	Gerald Buckley	Electrical

Tibbits made a motion to approve the minutes from May 12, 2014 regular meeting seconded by Foye, carried.

Duane Foye addressed the board regarding the home on South Fenmore Road in need of maintenance and repair. Mr. Foye also stated property owned by D.J. Sysak appears to have several unlicensed vehicles and miscellaneous business related items on the property.

Sharon Kackmeister reported on the Community Foundation. The Community Foundation was not awarded a grant for the startup of a Farmers Market. August 1st another grant will be available. The Merrill Community park may be a location option for the market. Tours of Merrill for the Farm Fest: Martin Chevrolet is willing to help with the tours for the Farm Fest. Julie Foye is working on the Cookbook. Financial Statement for the Endowment fund shows a balance of \$10,409.28 as of December 13. Sharon is working on the Merrill Directory.

State Representative Ben Glardon Reported on Road Funding, the proposed .30 gas tax was not received well by constituents. A 1% sales tax increase dedicated to roads was better received. Nothing was passed to alleviate the deteriorating road situation.

Treasurer's Report: General Fund \$106,152.49; Police Fund \$102,331.23; Trash Fund \$61,439.57.

Police: The C.O.P.S report was reviewed.

MMWA report from Larry Tibbits: Granger is not interested in the Saginaw Contract – to much investment is needed. MMWA is negotiating a one year extension with Waste Management, there will be a \$4.56 increase per household per year.

County Commissioner Jim Theisen reported the Jonesfield/Merrill police contract does not involve the County Commissioners, however, Jim offered to help if needed. The Saginaw County Animal Control Director was dismissed, the Commissioners are currently updating the roles and responsibilities the Director and looking for a replacement for the position.

Discussion regarding hiring Gardner, Provenzano, Thomas & Luplow, P.C., for the Audit. Siler made a motion to hire Gardner, Provenzano, Thomas & Luplow, P.C. seconded by Parker, carried.

Siler offered a resolution to accept the application to remove Property owned by Phil O'Toole, a parcel described as 1 acre, COM AT W 1/4 CORN OF SEC TH N 555.81 FT TO POB TH CONT N 190 FT TH E 230 FT TH S 190 FT TH W 230 FT TO POB - 1.0 ACRES SEC 23 T12N R1E; Property Number 17-12-1-23-2003-001, from the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program (P.A. 116), seconded by Parker, Roll Call Vote: Parker – yes; Tibbits – yes; Fleming – yes; Foye – yes; Siler – yes. The resolution was declared to be adopted.

Motion by Parker to stripe the parking lot by Smith Linestriping & Seal Coating seconded by Tibbits, carried.

Parker reported that notice has been given that Firstbank will be changing to Mercantile, the name change will be the only change to our accounts.

Parker made a motion to pay bills, seconded by Tibbits, carried. General Fund \$20,227.44; Trash Fund: \$2,976.63; Police Fund: \$16,340.66.

Foye made motion to pay up to \$500.00 for The Merrill Farm Fest to have a climbing wall, supported by Tibbits, carried

Parker made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Rochelle E. Siler, Clerk