

Middle Branch Township Regular Board Meeting
September 11, 2017

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Patrick Babcock leading the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm.
Members Present: Patrick, Peggy, Patty, Sarah and Ron.
Guests: Bob Hoard, Brian Hoekema and Nancy Dennis

Patrick made a motion to approve the agenda, 2nd by Ron. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Patrick made a motion to approve the minutes with one correction, Sarah 2nd the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed. The correction: Sarah said that Bob stated when the men from Kiwanis left the meeting early, he followed them outside and asked why they were leaving. The Kiwanis man put his checkbook back into his pocket, and said because of the motion made by Sarah. Bob stated the motion lost the Township \$5,300.00.

Treasurer's Report: Checking: \$46,084.44, Road Millage \$23,984.64, Huntington CD \$35,000.00, Members First Credit Union CD \$20,000.00, and \$10.00 Savings for a total of \$115,079.08.

Sarah made a motion to pay the bills: PR 6161-6172 and AP 5892-5912, Ron 2nd the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Old Business:

Ron brought photo's of the two signs for the play scape area. They will be installed this week. He is still working on getting the Hall door. Vault doors still need painting and caulking.

Bob Hoard, Brian Hoekema and Ron Austin will be on the Road Committee. Bob will ask Bill Johnson if he will be on the committee also.

Ron will check with the village to obtain information on the benches they purchased and give the information to Peggy. She will compare the quality and price and obtain two benches with the money that has already been donated for.

Peggy will type a letter to be handed out on October 14 rubbish day advising the residents they are not to bring their household waste to the rubbish day. It is for larger items, metal, glass, etc.

Nancy Dennis commented on how happy it made her to see children playing on the play scape at the Hall. She also said the Board should be more concerned about the residents of the township and their needs. She questioned why people had to go before the Board to make a donation.

New Business:

Patrick made a motion for Peggy to apply to the DEQ for a 2018 tire grant. Sarah 2nd the motion, all were in favor and the motion passed.

Peggy made a motion to adopt the Public Inspection Policy. Patty 2nd the motion, all were in favor and the motion passed. Peggy will send a copy to the Treasury along with the corrective action plan.

Four Board members will attend MTA On The Road Workshop October 30th.

It was agreed to pre-buy 1,000 gallons of propane from Fischer LP.

Repaving 15 Mile Road was discussed and tabled until the September 13 Township meeting.

Patty stated that more than needed is being mowed at the cemetery and trees need to be removed.

A complaint on road grading was discussed.

Sarah made a motion to adjourn at 8:27 pm, Ron 2nd the motion. All were in favor and meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is November 13, 2017 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Peggy Hoard, Clerk

