

Newfield Township Board Meeting

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January 17,2017

The meeting was called to order by our supervisor, Joan David. The pledge was stated. A roll call was as the following members were present: John Clark, Tami Ballantyne, Joan David, Rick Roberson, and Nancy Conley.

No Public Comments:

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve the Budget adding a Budget Amendment #1 under approval of Bills. Rick Roberson seconded. Motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Dec. meeting. John Clark seconded it. Motion carried.

Nancy Conley made a motion for a Budget Amendment for \$3000.00 from 101-699-999 Unallocated to 101-372-802 Contractual Services. Tami Ballantyne seconded it. Motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve the following checks #12677-12705 including and EFT for \$1,128.25, for a total of \$12,035.32. Rick Roberson seconded it. Motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne gave a treasurers report for December. The total deposits were \$6935.34, with bills of \$10,843.58. The total cash available was \$224,322.72.

Supervisor Report:

Joan David and John Clark will be attending a MTA Training for newly elected officials on Jan 18, 2017.

Correspondence:

Nancy noted the change of mileage to be paid for 2017 going from .54 per mile to .53.5 per mile.

Nancy shared a letter from the Oceana Conservation District Household Hazardous Waste Program. They are asking for monies to cover the cost of their collection for 2017, slated for Saturday, August 19, 2017. The amount, based on population and usage, they are asking for is \$650.00. After a board discussion on the topic, which indicated very low usage from our township, Rick Roberson made a motion to send \$50.00. John Clark seconded it. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Tami Ballantyne will check with Adam Corley on update and clean up on our website. We will move the administration of this site to in house. Steve Micklin asked that the following forms be added to our website, one for Zoning Permits and the other for a Demolition Permit.

Tami Ballantyne reported on Dumpster Companies and usage for 2017. Tami made a motion to go with a 2 yarder from RMS being dumped every other week. The amount quoted was cheaper than we had been paying. The dumpster will be moved back to the Township Hall parking lot. Rick Roberson seconded it. Motion carried.

We will address Poverty Guidelines next meeting after the 2017 info has been released.

New Business:

Dennis David asked permission to purchase a new Air Compressor for the cost of \$299.99 from Hesperia Hardware. Tami Ballantyne made the motion to purchase it. John Clark seconded it. Motion carried.

Joan David made a motion, seconded by Tami Ballantyne, to hire Steve Micklin Consulting LLC, to provide services limited to the separation of zoning/land use Articles and sections from the current Newfield Township Zoning Ordinance to a new Ordinance and Public Safety Ordinance. It will also include the addition and/or revisions to specific Articles referenced in Rose and Rose Law firm correspondence previously received. He will provide 5 printed copies of the referenced ordinances and an electronic copy of each to the Newfield Township Board. The work is to be completed by the April 18th, 2017 board meeting. The cost will be at \$20.00 per hour not to exceed 10 hours, with the copies provided for \$20.00 with a total cost of \$220. Motion carried. Steve will contact Jay Peasley on the cost and time to update our maps and drawings.

Reports:

BOR-Our Board of Review training this year will be on Thursday Feb 16th 2017. The Board of Review dates March 10-5:00 organizational meeting, March 13-3:00-9:00 p.m. –March 17 9:00-3:00-and March 22 Wrap up at 4:00p.m.

Planning Commission – They will be letting the board know by April meeting results of the Splits and new ordinances.

Fire Board – Reviewed the annual audit.

Roads- Hart is looking at monies available to help work towards funding road repair.

Zoning – Steve Micklin handed out his monthly and yearend reports, explaining the 2016 activity

Board Discussions:

Joan is searching for BOR workers for the next 2 year period.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to adjourn and John Clark seconded it. Motion carried and meeting adjourned.

Nancy Conley

Newfield Township Clerk

