

Meeting of the Town Board – March 3, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair, Heidi Kroening. Others present were Supervisors Jake Young and Abe Mach; Treasurer, Connie Anderson and Clerk, Nancy Hedin.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

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Craig Bond was present to re-discuss giving a donation to the Kids Plus Program. He felt that we should support the kids, the money was allocated, and Moose Lake Township donates over \$4000. Bond's request was to donate \$1000.

The Sturgeon Island Bridge was discussed. Mach gave the review of the bridge. A quote was received from Mark Disterhauf on the repair.

Motion was made by Mach, second by Young to approve the \$2800 quote from Mark Disterhauf on the repair of the decks on the Sturgeon Island Bridge.

Young discussed different rates for equipment rental.

Jan Erickson spoke highly of Mike Buetow's work and felt that the township can afford having the equipment available.

Mike Buetow stated that at this time, he does not want to rent his equipment. If there is an emergency, he will definitely be available to help.

Motion was made by Young, second by Mach to rent equipment from a rental equipment company, and have Buetow, a township employee, operate it. The rental will be discussed with a supervisor ahead of time. Motion passed.

Mach stated that the issue with Mike Buetow's claims has been resolved.

Kroening spoke on the Dietzman case. There has been nothing further brought to the board.

Mach spoke on the Close Lake Road. Once a road is platted, it is public domain. No one can claim a road. It is a legal take over.

Kroening gave the Fire District update.

The public thanked Jake Young for his years of serving on the board.

Kroening spoke on the supervisor's scope of duty.

Young stated that Windemere should look into what other townships are getting paid. He felt that the pay should be more.

Kroening stated that she did talk to the MATITS attorney about what other townships do. Kroening stated that talking to the constituents is a part of serving on the board and supervisors do not get paid extra. A resolution needs to be passed in performing any additional work as supervisors.

Motion was made by Kroening, second by Young to donate \$1000 to the Kids Plus Program.

Motion was made by Mach, second by Young to hold the township claims to one calendar month.  
Motion passed.

Buetow stated that a mistake was made in the Sand Lake Road project.

Mach apologized for his approach being too blunt.

Buetow stated that a mistake was made, but he also was not paid for a raise that was given two years ago.

Mach stated that an oversight was made by the board and the board was equally to blame.

Kroening stated that if a problem is made with an employee, the board must speak to the employee privately before bringing it to a meeting.

Gretsfeld stated that the open meeting law clearly states that personnel issues are a private matter.

Mach gave the road priorities for 2016.

Buetow gave the road update.

Buetow stated that after Road Review the roads will need to be prioritized.

Motion was made by Mach, second by Young to set the date for Road Review for March 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.  
Motion passed.

Schumann gave the zoning update.

The claims were reviewed.

Motion was made by Mach, second by Kroening to approve claims 10,420-10,454 in the total of \$13,260.41. Motion passed.

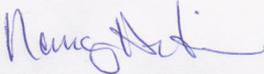
Motion was made by Young, second by Mach to increase the replacement cost of the township hall to \$153,121 and the pole barn garage to \$106,483. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Young, second by Mach to approve Mike Buetow's final draft of Union Local No. 49 AFL-CIO contract dated July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019. Motion passed.

Motion was made to adjourn.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Nancy Hedin, Clerk



APPROVED:

Chair, Heidi Kroening

