

## **Sciota Township Board Meeting – August 11, 2014**

(draft minutes)

The August 11, 2014 meeting of the Sciota Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Matthews at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all. Members present were Supervisor Matthews, Clerk Koerner, Treasurer Schuman and Trustee Thelen. Absent was Trustee Reed. Guests present were Peter Kimmever, Hank Cross, Deana Turner, Pat White, Larry Clever, Deputy Matthew Davis, Jeff Bartz and Vaughn Vondrasek.

Thelen moved to approve the minutes of the July meeting and the election commission meeting. Schuman seconded the motion and it passed. Koerner moved to accept the treasurer's report and place it on file. It was seconded by Matthews and passed.

Deputy Davis reported from the Sheriff Dept. He has recently had more training. He said there were many changes from when he had classes 16 years ago. Many deputies purchased the new first-aid kits themselves to have the needed equipment.

Commissioner report: Jeff Bartz said that Smart 911 was being implemented in the county. This gives dispatchers information about your home in case of emergency. You must update your information every 6 months if you join. To register for yourself call 989-743-9111. The Headly over-ride failed badly. They are looking at 2 millage proposals to put on the November ballot.

Public Comment: None

Larry Clever from Burnham and Flower Insurance went over our plan with us. He also stressed 3 points: 1. Michigan Township Participating Plan serves 900 of the 1240 townships in the state and 400 other entities. 2. Starting in 2015 we will receive a dividend of 4 – 7% of past premium from 2011. 3. They have a grant program of \$5,000 maximum for projects that reduce risk. Next submission is in October with grants issued in January.

Board reports: Matthews shared information on an upcoming workshop. Koerner shared election information along with hall problems that day.

Planning Commission: Some split applications may be coming soon. No meeting this month.

Zoning permit:

PZ14-0142 David & Paula Fry 8732 Colby Lake Rd. 2-story home on unfinished basement

Emergency Services: There have been 248 fire and rescue runs so far this year. Schuman moved to approve the 2014-2015 proposed emergency services budget. Thelen seconded the motion and it passed.

Old business: It was decided to wait until next year to replace the tubes in Baldwin, Garrison and Doyle Roads unless one becomes absolutely necessary.

New Business: It was decided to ask Demis and Wenzlick for a 3 year bid on auditing services with the 3<sup>rd</sup> year contingent upon a new board's approval.

Since our furnace has been red tagged, Matthews and Thelen were appointed to look into estimates for a new one and report back next month. Schuman will look into the drainfield-septic tank problem and report back. Jeff Bartz offered his services to help.

Koerner moved to make the following budget adjustments:

From contingency fund—\$728

\$125 to Special boards – printing and publishing

\$350 to treasurer’s office – computer upgrade

\$253 to Insurance and bonds

Thelen seconded the motion and it passed.

Public Comment: Vaughn Vondrasek suggested the switch be turned off to the furnace. Thelen did it.

Schuman moved to pay bills. Thelen seconded the motion and it passed.

8900	Nancy Koerner	\$1,068.97
8901	Floyd Koerner, Jr.	109.26
8902	Eric Schuman	638.45
8903	Deanna Turner	109.26
8904	William Thelen	109.26
8905	Mike Reed	109.26
8906	Diane Dowler	773.92
8907	Shirley Smith	175.00
8908	Pat White	155.00
8909	Dee Sigelko	175.00
8910	Wanda Potter	175.00
8911	Charlene Austin	175.00
8912	Shia. Co. Road Commission	99,188.98
8913	Hi Temp	222.50
8914	Twin Oaks Mowing	350.00
8915	Morgan Cannon	423.42
8916	Demis & Wenzlick	2,150.00
8917	BS&A Software	350.00
8918	The Weekly	42.00
8919	Consumers Energy	31.65
8920	United States Treasury	320.56
8921	Michigan Election Resources	147.36
8922	David White	43.88
8923	Vaughn Vondrasek	43.88
8924	John Hancock Life Ins. Co.	722.41
8925	VOID	
8928	Phillip Matthews	642.45

Koerner moved to adjourn. Thelen seconded it and the motion passed. We adjourned at 8:30.

Nancy Koerner, clerk

