

Sciota Township Board Meeting – December 8, 2014

(draft minutes)

The December 8, 2014 meeting of the Sciota Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Matthews at 7:00 pm. Board members present were Supervisor Matthews, Clerk Koerner, Treasurer Schuman, Trustee Reed and Trustee Thelen. Guests present were Clyde Casler, Hank Cross, Charlene Austin, Floyd Koerner, Jr., Karen Kocsis, Deanna Turner, Ted & Lynne Vandeventer, Jeff Bartz, David White, Mike and Diana Dowler, Marilyn Baumgras, Carla Dilday, and Vaughn Vondrasek.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved on a motion by Thelen, seconded by Reed and passed. Matthews moved to accept the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Koerner and passed.

Commissioner report: Jeff Bartz discussed the county financial problems and told what the commissioners are working on.

Public Comment: None

Board reports: Matthews announced a budget workshop for 6:00 on January 12th. He also stated that he wished to reappoint David White, Vaughn Vondrasek, and Clyde Casler to the Board of Review with Carla Dilday as an alternate. Koerner moved to approve the appointments. Thelen seconded the motion and it passed. The Board of Review school is Feb. 6th in Lansing. Koerner moved to send David White, Clyde Casler and Carla Dilday to the schooling and to send the check right away to meet the early discount. Thelen seconded the motion and it passed on an all yes roll call vote. Schuman shared some information from the MTA.

Planning Commission: Matthews moved to concur with the planning commission and approve the land splits for the Johnathon Hart property. Thelen seconded the motion and it passed. Thelen moved to concur with the planning commission and approve the splits for the Dennis Fijalkowski property. Reed seconded the motion and it passed.

Zoning permits:

PZ14-0283	Eric & Stephanie Janzen	3280 Putnam Rd.	Outdoor wood burner
PZ14-0285	Kenneth & Tracy Miller	6980 Bennington Rd.	Garage & breezeway
PZ14-0266	Joseph & Barbara Kozlowski	4221 Meridian Rd.	Accessory building

Emergency Services: Hank Cross reported 372 fire and rescue runs so far this year. He also said there have been no problems with the change in ECHO units.

Old business: Cemetery – Marilyn Baumgras talked on some problems she saw with the cemetery. Some board members were not comfortable with all of the proposals of the 'Friends of the Cemetery' group. More will be discussed later. The board went over the proposed

information to go on a sign. Dave White will send Koerner information he has then a list will be e-mailed to board members to look at before the next meeting.

New business: A citizen asked about renting the hall for headquarters for beagle trials. Koerner sent them information on the \$50 per day cost of using the hall and has not heard back. The board also said we would have to add snowplowing costs to that if removal was necessary. Since our charge for special meetings of the Planning Commission and the Board doesn't cover our costs, Schuman moved to charge \$300 for a special meeting of either. Reed seconded the motion and it passed.

Schuman moved to make the following budget adjustments. Thelen seconded it and the motion passed.

From contingency fund - \$3,300

\$1,700 to Assessor program, \$750 to Planning Commission wages and \$800 to Hall and Cemetery maintenance

From election equipment and maintenance - \$500

\$155 to election workers and \$345 to forms and supplies

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

8986	Phillip Matthews	\$649.95
8987	Nancy Koerner	629.45
8988	Floyd Koerner, Jr.	197.02
8989	Eric Schuman	659.45
8990	Deanna Turner	109.26
8991	William Thelen	209.02
8992	Mike Reed	109.26
8993	Diane Dowler	773.92
8994	David White	105.98
8995	Kimberly Palmer	87.76
8996	Eric White	87.76
8997	Shiawassee County Equalization	1,036.00
8998	Dol-Jac	272.90
8999	Consumers Energy	45.22
8990	Shiawassee County Clerk	346.21
8991	Mail Room	445.50
8992	Henry Cross	79.38
8993	John Hancock Life Ins. Co.	576.34

Schuman moved to adjourn. Reed seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Nancy Koerner, clerk