

Sciota Township Board Meeting – February 10, 2014

(draft minutes)

The February 10, 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, Trustee Reed and Trustee Thelen. Guests present were Floyd Koerner, Jr., Hank Cross, David White, John Michalec, Mike Constine, Steve Zemcik, Dean Welte, Brent Friess, Mike and Diane Dowler, Eric White and Dennis Fijalkowski.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved on a motion by Thelen, seconded by Schuman and passed. Koerner moved to accept the treasurer's report and place it on file. Reed seconded the motion and it passed.

Dean Welte of the road commission introduced the members of the road commission board and outlined the recommended road projects for the year. He also gave a report on what is expected yet this spring on road work. Decisions on what projects to fund will be decided by the board at a future meeting.

Commissioner report: Commissioner Bartz reported they are working on the budget and on hiring a county administrator. HB 5211 would have the state reimburse the counties and townships for money lost from personal property tax exemptions. Bartz also answered questions from the group.

Public Comment: None

Board Reports: Matthews reported that members attended the Board of Review school last week and there are a number of changes in what is to be done. Koerner shared correspondence. Schuman reported on possible changes in how assessments can be done.

Planning Commission: Thelen reported on a request for the number of splits available on a property. It is being looked into. There apparently is no one from the county responsible for determining the number of splits used and available on a piece of property. He then presented the land split request from Dennis Fijalowski. The information that was missing for the planning commission was presented. Matthews moved to concur with the planning commission and approve the land division. Koerner seconded the motion and it passed.

Emergency Services: There have been 50 fire and rescue runs so far this year.

Old business: Cross gave us the wording from the last renewal of millage for Emergency Services – fire. We will redo it with current values to put on the ballot for this year's August election.

New Business: Schuman moved to make the following budget adjustment – move \$500 from the contingency fund to Hall and Cemetery – grave opening and closing. Reed seconded it and the motion passed.

Koerner moved to have our Budget Hearing on March 10th at 6:00 pm, the Annual Meeting at

6:30 pm with our regular meeting to follow. Reed seconded the motion and it passed. Assessor Dowler present the board with information on sales studies in the township. The poverty exemption guidelines were presented. Schuman moved to adopt the presented guidelines (which are the state ones). Reed seconded the motion and it passed.

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

8792	Dol-Jac	\$630.00
8793	Phillip Matthews	674.95
8794	Lucille Matthews	109.26
8795	Nancy Koerner	686.98
8796	Floyd Koerner, Jr.	153.14
8797	Eric Schuman	663.45
8798	William Thelen	153.14
8799	Mike Reed	109.26
8800	Diane Dowler	773.92
8801	Kimberly Palmer	153.14
8802	David White	96.87
8803	Clyde Casler	43.88
8804	Carla Dilday	43.88
8805	Consumers Energy	46.66
8806	Henry Cross	32.17
8807	Dan Woodbury	500.00
8808	Staples Credit Plan	22.78
8809	Shiawassee Co. Equalization	11.33
8810	John Hancock Life Ins. Co.	997.15

Schuman moved to adjourn. Thelen seconded it and the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Nancy Koerner, Clerk