

Sciota Township Board Meeting – June 8, 2015

(draft minutes)

The June 8, 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, Rob and Rose Moye, Jeff Bartz, Stan and Jean McKenna, Mike and Diane Dowler, Fred and Katha Moye and Shawn and Lisa Doyle.

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

Commissioner Bartz gave a short report. It doesn't look like the county will be getting an administrator or coordinator right away as there is no money for the position. Our former administrator is up on charges of improper spending of county money. The Homeland Security department is looking into some of his activities while he was there.

Public comment: None

Board reports: Matthews reported there is a Looking Glass River drain meeting this week and reported on the MTA County meeting. Koerner said there is a new assessor assessment program being done by the state called 'AMAR'. There will be 2 hazardous waste collections this year – on August 22nd and October 24th. A scrap tire collection will be held August 1st. Schuman reported that the BS&A tax information is now on the web site. You have to register and create a pass word to have free access to your own information. There is a charge for others. Reed reported that the conference attended was very good.

Planning Commission: After going over the criteria, Thelen moved to approve the Moye land division. Koerner seconded the motion and it passed. The criteria on the Doyle land divisions was gone over. Thelen moved to approve these divisions and Matthews seconded it. The motion passed.

Languages changes for Shiawassee County Zoning Ordinance Amendments was reviewed. Our recommendations, following the planning commission, are as

follows: Item 1 Keeping of Animals, to include poisonous and venomous snakes, animals, insects. (Whatever you want to call such – critters.) In Building & Structures Sec B item 1&2 should be eliminated altogether. Koerner moved to approve these recommendations, Matthews seconded it and the motion passed. This information will be sent to the county.

Zoning Permits

PZ15-0078	Chad & Heather Jones	5553 Leland Rd.	Accessory Building
PZ15-0083	Michael & Mary Beaty	8203 Parker Rd.	Accessory Building

Building Permits

PB15-0055	Chad & Heather Jones	5553 Leland Rd.	Accessory Building
PB15-0059	Michael & Mary Beaty	8203 Parker Rd.	Accessory Building

Emergency Services: Hank Cross reported 200 fire and rescue runs to date. The new set of Jaws is ordered. They are looking into changing the outside lighting.

Old business: Koerner moved to spray the grass and weeds growing in the drive through the cemetery. Thelen seconded the motion and it passed. We will also check on gravel, etc. for the drive.

New business: Koerner presented the forms needed to follow the new FOIA laws. We went over the costs sheets and filled in the numbers. Thelen moved to approve the following:

- FOIA Procedures and Guidelines
- Public Inspection of Records
- Public Summary of FIOA Procedures and Guidelines
- Detailed Cost Itemization
- FOIA Request for Public Records Forms

Reed seconded the motion and it passed on an all Yes roll call vote. These will be posted on our web-site at www.sciotatownship.net.

Public Comment: Jean McKenna wondered what could be done about properties that were not maintained – one after a fire and one falling in – and seemed to be abandoned. Commissioner Bartz responded that our County Zoning Department was working on it. Nothing can be done while they are in foreclosure.

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

9093	Phillip Matthews	\$697.45
9094	Nancy Koerner	729.95
9095	Floyd Koerner, Jr.	153.14
9096	Eric Schuman	624.95
9097	Deanna Turner	109.26
9098	Mike Reed	109.26
9099	William Thelen	153.14
9100	Diane Dowler	773.92
9101	Eric White	52.99
9102	Kimberly Palmer	43.88
9103	David White	43.88
9104	Accident Fund Insurance Co.	755.00
9105	Consumers Energy	32.34
9107	Void	
9108	Morgan Cannon	120.00
9109	MAGNET	1,880.00
9110	Twin Oaks Moving & Snowplowing	800.00
9111	John Hancock Life Ins. Co.	538.64
9112	Burnham and Flower Agency, Ins.	3,066.00

Thelen moved to adjourn and Reed seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Nancy Koerner, clerk