

Sciota Township Board Meeting – May 11, 2015 (draft minutes)

The May 11, 2015 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 Thelen and Trustee Reed. Guests present were Floyd Koerner, Jr., Deanna Turner, Hank Cross, Charlene Austin, David White, Lt. Pat Richard-MSP, Mike and Diane Dowler and Norma Fritach.

Minutes were approved on a motion by Thelen, seconded by Reed and passed. Thelen moved to accept the treasurer's report and place it on file. Matthews seconded the motion and it passed.

Public Comment: Schuman spoke on tree removal on Colby Lake Rd. Lt. Richard responded with information on what the residents needed to do.

MAGNET: Pat Richard of the Michigan State Police then gave information on MAGNET and answered questions on what to do and who to call if aware of suspicious activity. He explained what MAGNET is doing and how it works. Forfeiture on meth arrests is low as there is not much there to forfeit. Medical marijuana is a gate-way drug and leads to stronger drugs.

Board reports: Matthews reported that all road contracts have been signed and returned to township. Farm Bureau will provide help if needed to write ordinances to that don't conflict with the 'right to farm' act. Koerner shared correspondence about 'Habitat for Humanity' and from the County 911. Morgan Cannon has resigned from cleaning our hall as she has taken a job in Wisconsin. Matthews moved to hire Tracie Cannon to continue this job. Koerner seconded the motion and it passed. Thelen reported on the county MTA meeting. Brett Freiss and Deanna Finnegan both spoke. Also there will be a hazardous waste collection October 24th and a river clean up and scrap tire collection November 1st.

Planning Commission: Moyer didn't get his paper work yet so will be later, a couple of properties are looking at splits or combinations and the county has some proposed ordinance changes for us to look at.

Zoning permits:

PZ15-0041	Kirk & Kirk Liebengood	6185 Grand River Rd.	Rear deck
PZ15-0047	Christopher & Candi Cabral	8358 Bennington Rd.	Accessory building
PZ15-0057	Amy Criner & Matthew Rueck	8390 Woodbury Rd.	Covered front porch
PZ15-0064	George & Kammie Strait	8457 Doyle Rd.	Accessory building / kitchen
PZ15-0073	Edward Gildner	8841 Laingsburg Rd.	Addition and deck

Building permits:

PB15-0024	Kirk & Kirk Liebengood	6185 Grand River Rd.	Rear deck
PB15-0028	Christopher & Candi Cabral	8358 Bennington Rd.	Accessory building
PB15-0037	Amy Criner & Matthew Rueck	8390 Woodbury Rd.	Covered front porch

PB15-0041 George & Kammie Strait 8457 Doyle Rd. Accessory building / kitchen
PB15-0049 Edward Gildner 8841 Laingsburg Rd. Addition and deck

Emergency Services: There have been 167 fire and rescue responses to date this year. The authority has been meeting with Victor Township and discussing needs.

Old business: None

New business: Thelen moved to approve the insurance policy with the addition of increasing the property value by 6% (total of \$3,066). Koerner seconded it and the motion passed on an all yes roll call vote.

Thelen moved to make the following budget adjustment: Move \$583 from the contingency fund to MAGNET contribution. Matthews seconded the motion and it passed.

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

9074	MTA	\$198.00
9075	Deanna Turner	109.26
9076	Phillip Matthews	644.95
9077	Nancy Koerner	823.75
9078	Floyd Koerner, Jr.	153.14
9079	Eric Schuman	719.45
9080	William Thelen	153.14
9081	Mike Reed	109.26
9082	David White	43.88
9083	Kimberly Palmer	43.88
9084	Shirley Smith	150.00
9085	Charlene Austin	150.00
9086	Wanda Potter	150.00
9087	Pat White	20.00
9088	BS&A Software	356.00
9089	Consumers Energy	37.83
9090	The Weekly	42.00
9091	John Hancock Life Insurance Co.	679.96
9092	Diane Dowler	773.92

Thelen moved to adjourn. Koerner seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Nancy Koerner, clerk

