

Sciota Township Board Meeting – June 12, 2017

(draft minutes)

The June 12, 2017 meeting of the Sciota Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Matthews at 7:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all. Members present were Supervisor Matthews, Clerk Koerner, Treasurer Doyle, Trustee Thelen and Trustee Reed. Guests present were Charlene Austin, Floyd Koerner, Jr., Diane Baclawski, Jeff Mulder, Elena Mulder, and Mike and Diane Dowler.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved on a motion by Bill Thelen, seconded by Mike 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 reported that there was trouble getting the payroll out and they may have to change departments to do it. The county needs citizens to serve on boards (who do not have a personal agenda). The board is slowly working through the windmill process. Questions were answered.

Public Comment: Charlene Austin asked about brush removal at corners where brush interferes with sight.

Board reports: Matthews told what road projects were completed. Koerner shared correspondence. She also asked about changing from Quicken to QuickBooks Pro for our accounting. Our auditor had suggested the need for something a little better than we have but we felt that BS&A was beyond our budget. The online plan considered allows for 5 users but unlimited 'reports only' users. That will allow the other board members access to it also. It will cost \$40 per month (\$28 each month for the first 6 months). Thelen moved to purchase this plan. Matthews seconded the motion. The motion passed on an all 'yes' roll call vote. Doyle noted that the July tax bills will have a notation asking if a receipt is desired. She is working on the web site. There will be a new e-mail address for her. She is changing her deputy from Shawn to Amy Doyle. Mike Reed saw Clinton County doing crack seal and their company was doing a fantastic job.

Planning Commission: Thelen reported on a request for a variance on parcel size for Elena Mulder. It may be necessary to rezone the parcel to A 1 ½ from A 1. Matthews moved to approve the lot size variance for parcel 009-05-300-006. Reed seconded the motion and it passed. Koerner will send a letter to the Zoning Board of Appeals stating this.

Emergency services: No report

Old business: None

New Business: Two citizens had expressed interest in the position on the Planning Commission. Only Diane Baclawski was in attendance. She explained her interest and it was explained what the job consisted of. Matthews appointed her with the board approval. There is a class on land

use being held June 23rd. Koerner moved to pay right away to receive the discount. Doyle seconded the motion and it passed on an all 'yes' roll call vote.

The MTA suggested 'Principles of Governance' policy was passed around and all board members signed.

Public Comment: Jeff Bartz spoke on the fact that guidelines for medical marihuana are being left up to the townships and cities to develop.

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

9526	Phillip Matthews	\$756.00
9527	Nancy Koerner	761.52
9528	Floyd Koerner, Jr.	190.80
9529	Lisa Doyle	904.90
9530	Shawn T Doyle	136.57
9531	Mike Reed	136.57
9532	William Thelen	295.80
9533	Kimberly Palmer	54.23
9534	David White	108.46
9535	Accident Fund Insurance Co.	755.00
9536	Shia. Co. Road Commission	6,715.00
9537	Consumers Energy	30.32
9538	MTA	1,076.00
9539	Burnham and Flower Agency	3,295.00
9540	Twin Oaks Mowing & Snowplowing	420.00
9541	The Weekly	35.00
9542	John Hancock Life Ins. Co.	625.40

Reed moved to adjourn. Thelen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Nancy Koerner, clerk