

Arlington Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by supervisor, Jacque Phillippe. Board members present were Pitts, Pugsley, Bregger, and DeLeo.

The meeting minutes of the January 15, 2014 meeting were read. Motion by DeLeo supported by Bregger to approve the minutes as read. Motion Carried.

Police Report-- There were only 4 calls in the township.

Fire Report-- There were (11) call, 8 medical, 3 fires. On 2-23 shots will be given to dogs at the fire hall from 2-4 p.m. The FireBudget meeting with participating townships will be March 24 at 7 p.m..

Supervisor's Report-- There is a new program for healthcare for homeless veterans thru the VA. Board of Review meetings will take place on Monday 3/10 from 2-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. and on 3/14 from 9-noon and 1-4 p.m.

Senate Bill 636 has been proposed to eliminate land line phone service in approx. 3 years. Past Sextant, Eva Gurnsey passed away in January. A new restaurant has been opened serving ice cream and hot dogs next to the shell gas station.

Clerk report-- The clerk presented a proposal to provide internet service to the township via his new server Which would be less costly than the Sprint card we currently are using.

Planning Commission Report-- The planning commission has scheduled a meeting for March 5, 2014. The purpose of the meeting will be to hear a request from William Engel for a Special Use Permit. We have been assigned a new judge, Jeff Dufon, to hear blight cases. Action on increasing fees and fines has been tabled until a later meeting.

Hospital Report-- Several hospital administrators were present to update everyone in attendance on the current status of South Haven Hospital. There is a proposed 12% cut to rural hospitals in congress. The hospital gave out \$40,000.00 in scholarships to use the wellness center. The urgent care facility has been open since May and is seeing many patients. A mobile MRI unit is now available also.

Commissioner Report-- The commission voted to oppose SB 636. Funding for MSU extension services was renewed. A contract was awarded to Beckering Construction for the addition to the courthouse.

Treasurer's Report-- Phil presented a proposed budget in the amount of \$218,150.00 for fiscal 2014-2015.

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$190,619.65
MONTHLY RECEIPTS	3,345.21
MONTHLY EXPENDITURES	4,467.01
ENDING BALANCE	\$189,497.85

Motion by Bregger supported by DeLeo to pay the bills. Motion Carried.

There was discussion about Road Commission Expenditures in 2014.

Senior Services-- Mark presented the board with a resolution of millage renewal for Senior Servc in the amount of ¼ mill for four years. Motion by DeLeo supported by Pitts to approve the resolution. Motion Carried. Motion by Pitts supported by DeLeo to continue our contract with Senior Services for the next four year contract. Motion Carried.

Sextant-- Jeff recommended at the board close all cemeteries for burials until further notice due to frozen ground. Motion by Pitts supported by DeLeo to close the cemeteries. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned.