

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date 11/6/14

CALL TO ORDER 6:30PM Guest Count 2 Resident Count 17

Present: Cooper, Duby, Iutzi, Wright Absent: LaBoda

Treasurer's report read by Duby, motion to approve by Wright, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Iutzi MC

Reading of October minutes by Duby, Motion to approve by Wright, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Duby MC

Invoices read by Duby, motion to approve and pay bills by Duby, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Iutzi MC

**Guest: Don David, County Commissioner**, reported on revenue and expenses for 2013 – 14, stating that the county jail brings in the most revenue. Health dept. will be moving out and the county will need to refurbish that part of the court house. Only eight foreclosures in Hamilton Township which is not as many as most townships. **Julie Lightfoot, Clare County Road Commission**, (replaced Edy Garver) spoke about the budget for 2015 and stated that brush hogging, grass mowing and tree trimming will be done more and get caught up. Two temps were hired. They are working on clear vision and stop sign areas and using chip seal to help save roads. Please make sure to check mailboxes for winter, making sure it's solid for snow. Salt was \$52 a ton last year and will be \$80 this year. It has been 17 years since there was a gas tax increase for road commissions.

**Public Comments:** Ron Rexer stated that that the road commission does a good job plowing snow. Ron also asked about signs for farm equipment and a spraying program for in the future and dead trees along the roads. Ron Kirby from Springwood Lake Assoc. stated they have had a good year with no problems and they have a new website. Jane Bulmer stated that she had recently rented the hall and her guests were very impressed with the hall. Barb Lambdin read a letter from Debbie Stabenow.

**Committee Reports: Bob Bess, Planning Commission Chair** gave a short report about accessory buildings 100 sq. ft. or less and will have more at the next meeting.

**Old Business:** Duby moved to adopt a resolution for the property on Townline Lk Rd to be sold for \$18,052, supported by Wright. Roll call vote, all in favor. MC

Cooper and Janeczko cut more dead oaks at the park. Discussed repairing/replacing roof on pavilion. Duby moved to pay Keysors \$6,750 to repair but withdrew the motion due to public comments. The issue will be tabled until spring.

**New Business:** Duby suggested that the township not charge for funeral dinners but just have them pay a deposit and cleaning expense. Will bring it up at next meeting. There are two options for signs for both cemeteries. Wright moved to purchase small sign for Ceder Crest and large sign for Hamilton, supported by Iutzi. All in favor. MC Both signs will have white background with green letters.

**Zoning Administrator and Blight Report:** Mark Janeczko reported he has issued 6 permits and has taken several blight reports at various locations.

Ron Rexer reported that Doug Jacobson, MMCC trustee contacted the college president to talk with Ron regarding an Ag program. Letters need to be sent to Christine Hamond on how important this is to the community and how it would affect our area

Motion to adjourn by Wright 2<sup>nd</sup> by Duby MC

Adjourned @??