

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2018, 7:00 P.M.
FOSTER TOWNSHIP HALL
1968 CLEAR LAKE RD, WEST BRANCH, MI 48661**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Miller with the pledge to the flag. Roll call of officers, Shirey, Lauwers, Miller, Brenner and McIntyre.

Motion by Lauwers, to approve December minutes, supported by Shirey, the motion carried.

Motion by Brenner, supported by Lauwers; the motion carried

Treasurer report given with \$342,966.43

Motion by Brenner, supported by Shirey, to put \$500.00 a year beginning April 1, 2018 in the park account to keep the account active. The motion carried.

Assessor Allison reported working on the sales study and property splits combination. Board of Review organization meeting will be March 6, 2018. Board of Review will be March 14 9:00-3p.m. and March 15 3:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Assessment change notices will be going out in February.

Motion by Brenner, supported by Lauwers, to send Board of Review members to training on February 15 at the Quality Inn in West Branch, the motion carried.

Motion by Brenner, supported by Miller, to send Allison to Assessor School , the motion carried.

Motion by Miller, supported by Brenner, to adopt the Poverty Guidelines Exemption Resolution, Roll Call vote Shirey, aye, Lauwers, aye, Miller, aye, Brenner, aye, McIntyre, aye, the motion carried; 5 ayes, 0 nay.

Miller announced Poverty exemptions or PRE rescind forms need to be picked up from Assessor or Supervisor.

Fire Chief Keith reported that the fire department received a visit from OSHA, violations were SCBA scout packs needs to get with Kevin Burger to get paperwork, some ladders need to be replaced, testing on hoses will be done in the spring. Need accountability on fire runs. Old hoses need to be disposed of have not been tested since 1978. Some of the ladders need to be tested. Motion by Lauwers, supported by Brenner, to order ladders from Darley for \$1085.00, the motion carried. Motion by Brenner, supported by Lauwers, to order ID maker approximately \$1200.00, the motion carried.

Commissioner Scott reported on county business.

Supervisor Miller reported that street and address committee is moving forward.

Motion by Brenner, supported by Lauwers, to send Supervisor, Clerk & Treasurer to MTA convention April 23-26 in Grand Traverse, the motion carried.

Clerk read Proclamation from Up North Prevention for April 2018 is Social Host Responsibility month. Board agreed to the proclamation.

Clerk read letter from County Clerk's office inviting township board member's to a special commissioner meeting on January 25, 2018 for the future concerns and funding of 911.

Motion by Lauwers, supported by Brenner, to pay General Fund checks 6592-6617 \$7,502.35, EFT Checks E103-109, \$650.53, E check 28 \$4.64 Fire Dept checking 1963-1965 \$488.07, and Fire Equipment Fund check 1134-1135 \$1,681.02, the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Minutes prepared by,

Karen McIntyre, Township Clerk

Approved by Supervisor Sandi Miller