

The February 13, 2018 meeting of St. Albans Township was called to order by Chairman, Randal Almendinger.

All trustees and fiscal officer were present.

The minutes of the public hearing were read and approved as read.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved as read.

The fiscal officer read fund balances to date.

Tom Cunningham asked about the updates in MEC map and voiced concerns over it being unreliable.

Steve Scovell explained how the updates work and how they can also use the 911 center if they are unable to find an address while on a run.

Bruce Kean updated on the progress of his conversations with Jerry Bennett on getting a new well because of the de-watering process at Brookside.

Charlie Montgomery said he has been getting calls at the township building from Mounts Rd. residents wanting to know who is responsible for re-seeding and cleaning up their yards from CenturyLink putting in high speed internet lines.

Bruce Lane said it is in the contract with CenturyLink that they will take care of it and he is confident that they will.

Bruce Lane talked about mailboxes he has replaced because of them getting knocked down in snow removal and said when he is replacing them he finds that the posts are rotted and does not feel the township should be responsible for them. He would like to have something put on the website stating that posts need to be strong enough to withstand snow from plows.

Tom Frederick gave the January zoning report.

Steve Scovell gave the January Fire and EMS reports.

Steve said they are still having issues with their mail not getting to them. He and Randy spoke to the Postmaster at Johnstown and he isn't going to change the way he is doing things. Randal Almendinger will talk with the Prosecutor to ask for advice and possibly get the Attorney General involved.

Steve talked about training he has attended and updates to equipment.

Pump repair estimates for E431 were presented. Steve recommends using Heritage for the repairs. Trustees and audience members talked about getting the compressor back because it does have some value.

Bruce Lane made a motion to have the pump for E431 be repaired by Heritage at the cost of \$4800.00 with a leadway of 10% for additional findings.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Steve said they have had 1 employee resign.

Jean Morrison made a motion to accept the resignation of Brad Essick.

2nd by Randal Almendinger. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Steve said he has been working on the budget for 2018-2022 and would like to hold a special meeting with trustees to discuss finances for the next few years.

Bruce Lane made a motion to hold a special meeting on Monday, February 26th at 5:00 P.M. at the Fire Station Community Room for the purpose of projecting a fire department budget for a 5 year plan.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Bruce Lane presented a proposal from Doug Smith Realty for selling the property on Lobdell rd. Trustees need further information before signing.

Jean Morrison talked about a seminar she attended on Medical Marijuana. She said they recommend doing a 6 month moratorium so the township is protected until trustees decide what they want to happen.

#27-2018 Jean Morrison made a resolution declaring a moratorium on medical marijuana for 6 months to ban and prohibit any type of medical marijuana facility in the township to address the following: cultivate, manufacture, dispensary and processor.

2nd by Randal Almendinger. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Resolution passed.

#28-2018 Bruce Lane made a resolution to list the property on Lobdell rd. for \$119,900.00 with Eric Smith of Doug Smith Realty for the period of 2/13/18 thru 9/9/18 with a commission of 6%.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Resolution passed.

Bruce will ask the realtor about dissolving the mineral rights on the property.

Bruce Lane presented the fire contract from Liberty Township. There is some information missing that the trustees would like clarification on before signing.

Bruce Lane made a motion to make an amendment to his previous motion of the purpose of the special meeting to include discussing the Liberty Township Fire Contract and possibly acting upon.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

Trustees then voted on the motion as amended: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Motion carried.

The fiscal Officer read a letter from an individual who has had a couple incidents on Wesleyan Church of cars being over in her lane and requested a center line be put on the road.

Trustees and audience members discussed saying that they would have to do it to all township roads if they do it to one. Bruce Lane will contact her and let her know it is cost prohibitive for the township to do that.

The fiscal officer presented appropriations for 2018.

#29-2018 Randal Almendinger made a resolution to approve the 2018 appropriations as presented by the fiscal officer.

2nd by Jean Morrison. Roll call: Jean Morrison –yes, Bruce Lane –yes, Randal Almendinger –yes. Resolution passed.

Checks were signed. Meeting was adjourned 10:33 P.M.