

Sidney Township  
Minutes  
January 2, 2017

Supervisor Peterman called the Sidney Township Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Peterman, Stover, Leyrer, Walters, and Welder.

**AGENDA:**

Stover motioned to approve agenda. Leyrer supported. Motion Carried.

**MINUTES:**

Motion to approve minutes by Leyrer. Supported by Stover. Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Walters updated credit for Peterson Oil & Propane as of January 1, 2017.
- Peterman announced:  
Board of Review Classes  
Feb. 11 from 9am – 12pm. Chippewa hills High School  
\$50 per person

**SHERIFF'S REPORT:**

No Sheriff's report.

No one has heard from Sheriff, nor have we seen a deputy.

Peterman has attempted to contact Deputy Mahar, to no avail.

Johansen provided contact information to Peterman.

**GUEST SPEAKERS:**

Harmony Nowlin from Consumer's Energy was slated to be in attendance to update Ordinance. She was not present.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- Stover updated Treasurer's report to include the new Fire Bond. Leyrer motioned to approve report, Welder supported. Motion carried.
- Walters updated monthly bills, including Fire Truck initial payment made in December. Stover motioned to approve and pay bills, Leyrer supported. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:**

**Planning:** Leyrer updated positional changes: Dave Buckner – Chair. Marv Tugan – Co-Chair. Pat Kellogg – Secretary. Ray Leyrer – Trustee/Representative. One open spot to fill. Next meeting March 1, 2017.

Dave Buckner completed 3-year term – must be re-appointed to commission.

April 10-13, 2017. MTA Expo in Lansing: Buckner and Leyrer wish to attend. \$385 per person.

**Commissioner:** John Johansen presented his report. Commented that Planning Commission members are required by law to attend continuing education. Montcalm County updating website.

**Zoning:** N/A

**Assessor:** Motion by Leyrer to put an ad in the paper for potential Assessor position, as contracts are up in March. Welder Supported. Motion carried.  
Walters to submit ad to newspaper – Assessor must be at least a Level II.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Motion made by Leyrer at December meeting regarding '03 firetruck purchase has been cancelled/rescinded because it didn't pass inspection. Leyrer motions to purchase a 2006 truck at a price of \$33,444.25 – Sidney Township Portion. \$25,000.00 down payment has been made by Sidney Township. Final balance due at delivery is \$8,444.25. Motion supported by Stover. Motion carried.
- Leyrer questioned regarding Drain Commission meeting that was supposed to happen in November. Peterman will contact Raines to get more information.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Motion to renew Dave Buckner's 3-year position, starting January 1, 2017 by Leyrer. Seconded by Welder. Motion Carried.
- MTA February 21 in Ferris Township.
- Leyrer has concern regarding door-knockers in Sidney Township. They are trying to carry out a study regarding smoking vs. non-smoking. Company is PATH (Population Assessment of Tobacco and Health). [www.pathstudyinfo.nih.gov](http://www.pathstudyinfo.nih.gov).
- Motion to renew Ordinance No. 2017 with Consumer's made by Walters. Supported by Stover. Motion carried.

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:**

- Dave Buckner requests decision regarding MTA Expo. Welder motioned to approve attendance at Expo in Lansing by Buckner and Leyrer. Leyrer seconded. Motion Carried.
- Tenile Lucier updated 4280 Wise Rd. Peterman to make calls to Deputy for a visit to next-of-kin residence in Belding/Smyrna, as property owner is deceased.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Stover motioned to adjourn. Walters supported. Motion carried.

Erika A. Walters  
Clerk