

Clifford Township Supervisors Meeting December 8, 2015

Business meeting held on Tuesday December 8, 2015. Chairman Dennis Knowlton called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Motion to approve the minutes by Mr. Knowlton, second by Mr. Searle. All in favor. Treasurer's report reviewed and will be put on file. List of bills reviewed. Mr. Searle made a motion to pay bills except Clifford Auto and Clifford Supply, seconded by Mr. Knowlton. All in favor. Mr. Searle made a motion to pay Clifford Auto and Clifford Supply, seconded by Mr. Knowlton. All in favor. Mr. Marcho abstained due to potential conflict of interest.

Old Business: Mr. Searle pointed out that the most of the goals set back in 2013 like maintaining and improving the road, becoming debt free by 2015, improve public safety by installing cameras and traffic control devices, improving the paved road in the township and increase the recreation opportunity's by purchasing land and enlarging the playground. Mr. Searle announced that the township is now debt free.

Mr. Searle reported that after holding a work session on October 23, advertising and posting the budget for review for over a month as required by law, made a motion to pass the budget as written. Mr. Knowlton seconded. All in favor. Mr. Knowlton reminded everyone although we are debt free the township still has a few problem areas to be addressed.

Mr. Marcho announced that the township obtained the occupancy permit for the building and the Endless Mountain Learning Center is on schedule to open in January. The rooms are done and there is only a few odd and ends to do in the hall, kitchen and gym. A special thanks to Joe Skorets, Mark Wilmot and Eddy Marquez for volunteering to help with the sheet rocking of the hall ceiling with help from Sandy Wilmot.

Mr. McGraw reported that half the properties in the Dundaff area have put in new systems that helps with demand study of the Act 537.

Mr. Searle made a motion to buy the land for a back driveway into the park area. Mr. Knowlton seconded. All in favor. Mr. Marcho asked to abstain from voting on the Pettinato property because of conflict of interest.

Mr. Knowlton read a letter of resignation from Tax Collector Harry Phillips. Mr. Phillips said he would finish out the year and would help anyone they pick to replace him but is not able to finish the last 2 years of his term. Mr. Searle, with regret, made a motion to accept his resignation. Mr. Marcho seconded. All in favor.

Tax Collector: Mr. Phillips reported he collected \$1573.00 in real estate and \$131.00 fire protection tax for a total of \$1704.00 He has about \$16,000.00 real estate and \$1,300.00 fire protection to be collected.

Planning Commission: Mrs. Roberts asked for conditional approval on the Pettinato and Kaufman property. Mr. Searle made a motion to accept the Kaufman subdivisions. Seconded by Mr. Marcho. All in favor. Mr. Searle made a motion to accept the Pettinato subdivision. Mr. Knowlton seconded. Mr. Marcho abstained.

Mrs. Roberts informed the board that both hers and Bob Clementoni's term end at the end of this year and would like the board to reinstate them for another term. Mr. Knowlton made a motion to reinstate both Mrs. Roberts and Bob Clementoni for another term. Seconded by Mr. Searle. All in favor.

Fire Co.: Mr. Phillips reported the fire company had 42 calls for November and a total of 554 for the year. The new fire truck should be ready by mid-February. December 6th the fire Co. held there 19th annual Christmas Care breakfast. About \$3000.00 was collected. All proceed go to families who need help for the holidays.

Park Committee: Mr. Roberts reported the pot-a-potty was installed. Mrs. Wilmot asked permission to work on getting a grant to have the bridge built over the creek. Mr. Searle made a motion to name her as grant administrator. Seconded by Mr. Knowlton. All in favor.