

New Market Township

March 7, 2017

Regular Monthly Meeting

Chair called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present:

Huntington, Larson, Silverness, Mohn, Popovich, Frame and Clausen. Also present B. Ruppe, C. Mckenzie and Dave Hutton

Agenda:

Chair asked if any changes to the agenda.

Motion by Huntington to add "Frost Boil Policy" to Public Works. Add "Discuss TruNorth" to Old Business. Seconded by Larson, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Popovich to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mohn, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Huntington to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Larson, motion passed, all in favor.

Sheriff's Report:

Old Business:

TruNorth Solar Energy – Nex Star Energy is taking over the Schultz Solar Energy project. Joe Hamel introduced himself as the Project Manager and will be on the Township April agenda and the County agenda in May.

New Business:

Development of 60 acres on 230th St and Dakota Ave. – Huntington attended DRT meeting at the County and the Developer will be on the April agenda.

Deb Fletcher – 8425 250th St is considering a dog "Day Care" on her property. She will have a store in the City of Elko New Market and bring the dogs to the country for play time. Will have to check with the county on what is allowed.

Supervisors/Public Works:

Motion by Popovich to approve the updated snow plowing policy. Seconded by Mohn, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Popovich to approve the frost boil policy. Seconded by Mohn, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Huntington to accept S E H's recommendation to hire Rekiator to sweep the black top streets.

O and E Letter of Credit – Township Engineer recommends to retain \$350,000.00 in the LOC. Motion by Popovich to sign resolution 2017-003 lowering LOC by to 320,000.00 leaving \$350,000.00. Seconded by Mohn, motion passed, all in favor.

2018 Feasibility Report Motion – Cty Rd 46 service road (across from church) is a County road. Township Engineer suggests choosing a similar road for the 2018 project.

Logan south of 62 – residents of Southern Oakes agree they should help pay for improvement costs.

Discussion on Woodland Ridge Dr – residents will be charged a .25 REU.

Motion by Huntington to sign resolution 2017-004, "Order the Improvement" for 2017 improvement project. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Silverness to adopt resolution stating the Township's intent is to be reimbursed for the cost of improvements. Seconded by Larson, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Huntington to have Township Engineer Chris McKenzie to continue working on 2017 Road Improvements. Seconded by Popovich, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion to assign all 2017 road improvement projects to A2ES (Chris's company). Seconded by Mohn, motion passed, Huntington, Popovich, Mohn, and Silverness voted yes, Larson voted no.

Fire Work Group – Still working on a correct method to charge the three contributing members to the Fire Dept their fair share.

Paused the meeting to go into closed meeting on District Court File # 70-CV-16-13681 at 8:45 PM.

Returned from closed meeting at 9:32 PM. Resumed Regular Meeting

Attorney Ruppe provided an update regarding the status of the litigation involving 233rd St East. Mr Ruppe informed the Board that they would need to go into closed session to discuss strategy but that he could inform the residents in attendance that the mediation with Attorney Tim Cook was unsuccessful in that the Plaintiffs unilaterally left the mediation after making unreasonable demands of the Township regarding future maintenance of the road. Thereafter, the Town Board went into closed session with the Town Attorney to discuss the matter of Gerlach v. New Market Township: Scott County Court File No. : 70-CV-16-13681..

Upon exiting the closed session, at the request of the Township Attorney, the Town Board unanimously voted to reaffirm the authority previously delegated to the Town Board Chairman, Mike Huntington, to enter into a settlement agreement with the Plaintiffs to resolve this litigation matter if terms acceptable to the Chairman could be reached.

Motion by Popovich to reaffirm the authority previously given to Mike Huntington. Seconded by Mohn, Motion passed, all in favor.

Treasurer's Report - Motion by Mohn to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Larson, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Huntington to repair the electrical problems in the Town Hall. Seconded by Mohn, motion passed, all in favor

Motion by Larson to review claims. Seconded by Silverness, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Popovich to pay claims and hold the Cedar Lake check until Township Engineer reviews. Seconded by Huntington, motion passed, all in favor.

Motion by Popovich to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 PM. Seconded by Silverness, motion passed, all in favor

Approve:


Chair

Clerk



Mar 7, 17 Claims

Claims:

7592	\$	92.82	Dakota Electric – Woodland Ridge lights
7593	\$	176.32	Lakeville Sanitation – Hall dumpster
7594	\$	85.59	Trabns Alarm – Hall security
7595	\$	105.00	Town & Country Septic – Park satalite
7596	\$	124.03	Mn Energy Resources – Hall heat
7597	\$	370.47	MVEC – Electric Hall 347.16 Park 23.31
7598	\$	556.25	Suel Printing – Legal notice
7599	\$	89.97	ECM Publishers - Legal notice
7600	\$	229.00	Mn Benefit Assc - Insurance
7601	\$	85.74	Merry Maids – Hall cleaning
7602	\$	2,151.17	Cheetah Sites – WEB development
7603	\$	18,844.70	Cedar Lake Township – shared road maint
7604	\$	20,837.10	S E H Engineering – Engineering service
7605	\$	4,009.50	Rud Constr – snow plowing
7606	\$	229.39	Integra – Hall tele
	\$	3,396.86	Total Administration
7607			Administration
7608			Administration
7609			Administration
7610			Administration
7611			Administration
7612			Administration
7613			Administration

Total claims \$ 51,382.91