

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
November 15, 2016**

Present: Jon Steblay, Carol Pundt, RaeJean Anderson, Don Hales, Justin Smith

Absent: None

Community members present: None

Don Hales called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Justin Smith. A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith to approve the agenda with the following additions: adding discussion with Deerwood Fireman while discussing Garrison Fire service, taxpayer letter and December monthly meeting date under Other Business to Come Before the Board. All voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith to approve the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on October 7, 2016. All voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith to approve the Treasurers Report subject to audit. All voted in favor of the motion. The ending balance as of October 31, 2016 is \$201,050.66.

A motion was made by Justin Smith and seconded by Jon Steblay to approve the claims as submitted. All voted in favor of the motion.

Road Report: Don Hales presented the Board with an updated road report. This month road work done in the Township included what was on the Fall Road Inspection list. Don Hales is expecting to get some road disaster relief assistance from Crow Wing County soon. He will keep the Board updated.

Anderson Brothers Construction 2016 Road Improvement Claim: Don Hales will report on this at the December meeting.

Public Roads Privately Maintained: Nothing more was discussed by the Board....refer to October Board meeting for Board discussion.

Eaglewood Estimate: Don Hales presented to the Board an estimate in the amount of \$11,800.00 from Brad Holmwig for road work on Eaglewood. A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith to approve the estimate of \$11,800 for road work to completed by Brad Holmwig on Eaglewood. All voted in favor of the motion.

Greenwood Isle Circle Road Issues: Don Hales will e-mail the Township take over road specifications to an individual with questions.

Variance Requests: None

Planning & Zoning: Don Hales notified the Board that Geo's Paint is making a request to CWC Planning and Zoning Board to rezone their property from residential to commercial.

Cemetery Report: The cemetery has been staked and cleaned. The newly seeded area is starting to sprout grass. There was one burial.

Town Hall Update: Justin Smith is getting another estimate for the pine tree removal. So far one estimate from Mike's Tree Service in the amount of \$3,006.50 has been received by the Township.

There is a smell in the basement which may be caused by many dead Lady Bugs. Carol Pundt will have the Township building cleaned before the next monthly Board meeting, hopefully, that will take care of the smell.

Recycling: The Township will reduce the number of recycling containers from 7 to 4 between January 1 - May 1st.

Hunting On Township Land: Don Hales received complaints this last week that there have been fire arms used for hunting at Greenwood Park. Bay Lake Ordinance #3 prohibits the discharge of firearms in Greenwood Park. Don Hales will post no hunting signs in the park area.

Garrison Fire Department: Don Hales has had several meetings with Mike Snyder, Garrison Fire Chief, this past month. The discussion centered around Bay Lake Township terminating their fire contract with the Garrison Fire Department. Don Hales expressed to the fire chief the Township wants to be fair and honorable through the process and is looking at terminating the contract effective 1/1/2018. The Township's most recent contract with the Garrison Fire Department is 1997. Also, the Deerwood Fire Department chief is offering a significant savings in their fee to offer fire service for being the only fire department servicing Bay Lake Township. A question raised at the last monthly meeting was what if the Deerwood Fire Department would be delayed by a train going through town and could not reach a fire event in a timely manner. Don Hales said he had talked to three experienced Deerwood fire fighters and they were not aware of any train delay issues. There was also discussion regarding the Garrison Fire Department charging a fee for fire calls when they do not have a contract with the Township. A motion was made by Jon Steblay and seconded by Justin Smith to have a letter drafted to the Garrison Fire Department chief to terminate fire service effective 1/1/2018. All voted in favor of the motion.

General Election Update/Carol: There are 718 registered voters in Bay Lake Township. On election day the number of individuals casting ballots was 666. Of that total 174 individuals voted absentee. 42 people registered as new voters in the Township.

Other Business:

December Monthly Meeting Date: It was decided by the Board to keep the December monthly meeting date as scheduled for December 14th.

There was discussion between Board members regarding an annual letter to landowners in the Township as an update to what has happened in the Township the past year and future plans. There will be more discussion in the future as to what the format and the letter will look like.

All correspondence and e-mails received by the clerk were read.

A motion was made by Justin Smith adjourn the meeting at 7:46pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

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