

Colfax Township Meeting
June 12, 2013
Colfax Township Hall

Meeting Called to Order at 1900 by Supervisor Evitts, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Present: Supervisor Evitts, Trustee Greene, Clerk Mosher, Trustee Besey, Treasurer Draeger. Absent: None.

Agenda: No changes, Evitts motions, Mosher 2nds approval as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Public Comment: None.

County Commissioner's Report: Written report provided, Commissioner Kelley discusses, no action taken.

Library Report: Written report provided by mail. Bill Hirschfeld provides verbal review of upcoming events. Update on new library; no progress yet.

Minutes: May 2013 regular meeting minutes: Motion by Greene second by Besey to approve as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Treasurer's Report: April 2013 report reviewed, Evitts motions, Mosher seconds approval as presented. No opposition, motion carries. May 2013 report reviewed, Evitts motions, Greene seconds approval as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Campground Report: Bears spread garbage throughout woods this spring. All picked up, looks better. Tanks to be pumped this summer-okay for now. Someone stole toilet paper already. Replaced and no problems since.

Clerk's Report: Principles of Governance adopted as presented by MTA. Roll Call: Ayes: Mosher, Besey, Evitts, Draeger, Greene. Nays: None. Evitts declares adopted.

Supervisor's Report: Discussed contract for Sherriff Patrol for summer. Weldon Township and Village of Thompsonville have declined. Very poor communication last year, reports not received and not focused on road patrol/visibility on the roads. No action. Road Commission to request millage on ballot for 1 mill for repairs and maintenance of roads, with local government to split 50/50 to assist in local road maintenance.

Planning and Zoning: JPC alternate Heller resigns, Dunham-Thayer appointed as per last month's vote. Mosher requests copy of Heller's written resignation for Township Files, Greene to provide. Greene reports recommendation for 2 reps from each entity to serve on ZBA. Still in process.

Unfinished Business:

Blight Ordinance: Hewitt has not made much progress since last meeting. Evitts talked to Hewitt. Discussion re; next step: Officers to serve with paper to provide extension with routine monitoring. Mosher states Besey and Evitts are serving as joint blight officers, and both should be present during any communication regarding Blight, monitoring progress of clean up, etc.; reinforces that both need to be present for any communications and in serving any papers, as per their joint assignment. Evitts and Besey to determine mutually acceptable time to serve papers. Mosher requests copy of papers for Township files.

FOIA: FOIA request received via letter. Mosher in contact with requestor, fulfilling FOIA request.

Clean Up Day: June 15, 2013 from 8am to 1pm. Sign Up: Mosher, Besey to work 8a-10a. Greene to stop in 8a-9a if available, Mark Draeger (Laurie's husband) will work 11-noon in Laurie's absence. 10-1 Evitts, 11-1 Greene.

Letters of Recognition: all sent. Mosher received call from Richter thanking for acknowledgement of service and documenting number of years served on Board, as well as recognizing the work put in as Grass Lake Campground Manager. Skurski thanks Board as well. Draeger states Shirley Damore also thanks Board.

Website: last 2 months of regular meeting minutes not posted, JPC minutes, documents, etc not posted. Greene has attempted communication multiple times without response. Last response indicated he would post updates "shortly" which was over 2 weeks ago.

New Business:

Tax Sale: available properties reviewed, discussion/ Evitts motions, Mosher seconds to decline purchase of either property available. No opposition, motion carries.

Pay Bills: Motion by Evitts, 2nd by Besey to pay as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Correspondence: Reviewed. No action taken.

Extended Public Input: None

Meeting adjourned at 2012.

Next meeting: Wednesday **July 10, 2013** - 7:00pm