Colfax Township Meeting January 8, 2014 Colfax Township Hall

Meeting Called to Order at 1901 by Supervisor Evitts, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Present: Supervisor Evitts, Trustee Greene, Clerk Mosher, Trustee Besey. Absent: Treasurer Draeger.

Agenda: Accepted as presented.

Public Comment: None.

County Commissioner's Report: Written report provided. General discussion.

Library Report: Written report provided by mail. Evitts states Julie Hirschfeld is willing to act as Colfax Library Representative. Mosher motions to appoint J. Hirschfeld as Colfax Library Representative, effective immediately, and to continue until this Board withdraws support or J. Hirschfeld is unwilling to continue serving in this capacity. Evitts seconds. No opposition, motion carries.

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

Treasurer's Report: November 2013 Report: Reviewed. Motion by Evitts, second by Mosher to accept as presented. December 2013 Report: Motion by Evitts, second by Mosher to accept as presented.

Campground Report: No activity.

Clerk's Report: Mosher reports flag markers will be purchased before Memorial Day as several of the graves are in dire need of new markers.

Supervisor's Report: Met with Kuhn to discuss Blight. Comment made to monitor as long as progress made. Letter to be drafted and sent to Hewitt by Kuhn providing limitations to cleanup deadline.

Planning and Zoning: No applications received in response to ad for representatives. 3 Reps needed from each region. 4-6 meetings per year, unknown pay at this time. Everyone encouraged to recruit ZBA applicants. Discussion continues on backup Zoning Administrator.

Unfinished Business:

Blight Ordinance: Letter to Hewitt from Kuhn on behalf of Township provided for files. Mosher expresses concern regarding contradictory sentiment of Kuhn's letter versus his general comment to Evitts. Comment indicated Township should encourage continued cleanup if any effort is being made, without enforcing a hard deadline, whereas letter clearly states a January 31, 2014 deadline, which is

completely unrealistic given the snow and temperatures, not to mention the lack of ability to confirm complete clean up or even activity. Discussion. Board agrees, motion by Mosher to send a letter to Hewitt granting extension to April 30, 2014 due to excessive weather extremes and snow, to be crafted by Greene, distributed to rest of Board for review and input, with final version to be signed and delivered to Hewitt by Besey and Evitts before the original January 31, 2014 deadline. Evitts seconds. Discussion. No opposition, motion carries.

Cleanup Day: Clean up Date to be requested for 6/14 with backup date of 6/7. Evitts to provide update at next meeting.

New Business:

Budget Review: Updated budget provided to all, review, no action necessary. Evitts to review and determine where Christmas candy cost to be applied.

Budget Workshop: Immediately following February's Regular Meeting.

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

Correspondence: Reviewed. No action taken.

Extended Public Input: Besey states floor at rear entryway is rotten, as discovered when replacing back door to Hall. Mosher motions, Greene seconds for Besey to repair as time and weather allows as it presents no immediate danger or imminent failure. Discussion. No opposition, motion carries.

Student in attendance thanked for his interest and offered opportunity to ask questions of Board.

Meeting adjourned at 2000.

Next meeting: Wednesday February 12 - 7:00pm, with Budget Workshop to follow.