

**Township of Thetford
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
February 23, 2015
6:30 P.M.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board of Trustees.

There was a moment of silence in observance of all military past and present.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kerr at 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Kerr, Clerk Pennington, Treasurer Ayotte, Trustee Gunnels, Trustee Cousineau, Trustee Stevens

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Congdon,

STAFF PRESENT: Attorney Bob Swartwood, Chief Robert Kenny

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Trustee Gunnels to approve the February 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vote: All yeas. Motion Passed.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: None

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Public comments began at 6:32 p.m. Ended at 6:33 p.m. There were not any comments received from the public.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank you note from the family of Tom and Shelly Ayotte for the death of Tom's father.

Letter sent from Supervisor Eileen Kerr to the State Tax Commission.

PRESENTATIONS: None

TREASURER REPORT:

Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Ayotte.

BILLS FOR APPROVER:

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Trustee Gunnels to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call Vote. Vote 6 - 0 Motion Passed

Discussed on canceling UNUM Clerk Pennington will be looking into it.

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

Accepted

POLICE REPORT:

Accepted

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Reports from the following committees were reviewed: Fire, Roads, Library, Clio Park and Rec, and Senior Center.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

A): **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1): Response on the Assessing Plan

Supervisor Kerr gave the board a copy of the response to the state.

2): Special Assessment

Supervisor Kerr asked the board to look in the Authorities and Responsibilities of Michigan Township Officials, Board and Commissions on page 142 to read on the steps for a special assessment. We will be discussing this further in the budget workshops.

3): Codification of Ordinance Plan

Next scheduled workshop is April 20, 2015, Attorney Swartwood is opening up his office for no more than groups of three after April 13, 2015 to individually go through the Ordinances with each board member to answer any questions they may have.

3): Adopt Policy for Public Inspection of Records

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, support by Trustee Stevens to adopt Resolution for the Policy for Public Inspection of Records. Roll Call Vote. Vote 6 – 0 Motion Passed

B): **NEW BUSINESS:**

1): Regional Planning Board

Supervisor Kerr will be getting information on how to drop out of the Regional Planning Board and bring it back to the next meeting. Supervisor Kerr stated neither Trustee

Cousineau nor she could attend any future meetings for the Regional Planning Board. Supervisor Kerr asked for any other board members who would like to serve on the Regional Planning Board. No volunteers.

2): Assessor's Contract

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Treasurer Ayotte to approve the contract of Thetford's Assessor Dennis Miller until October 31, 2015. Roll Call Vote. Vote 6 - 0 Motion Passed.

3): Smart Meters Consumers Energy

Information only

4): Cash out on vacation from Personnel Book

Directed it to the Personnel Committee

5): Budget Amendments

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, support by Supervisor Kerr to amend 215.100-702.200 Clerk full time wages \$1400.30. Roll Call Vote. Motion Denied. 2 yeas ~ Trustee Cousineau, Supervisor Kerr, 3 nays ~ Trustee Gunnels, Trustee Stevens and Treasurer Ayotte and 1 abstention ~ Clerk Pennington

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, support by Supervisor Kerr to amend 301.000-702.200 Police full time wages \$3200.00. Roll Call Vote. Motion Denies. 3 yeas ~ Trustee Cousineau, Clerk Pennington, and Supervisor Kerr, 3 nays ~ Trustee Gunnels, Trustee Stevens, and Treasurer Ayotte.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Started at 7:31 p.m, Ended at 7:32 p.m with two comments

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: Various comments were given by the board members.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Leanne Pennington, Clerk
Thetford Township