

TOWNSHIP OF THETFORD
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DECEMBER 9, 2013
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 Paulson, Treasurer Ayotte, Trustee Gunnels, Trustee Congdon, Trustee Cousineau, Trustee Stevens.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Kenny, Attorney Swartwood.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MOTION by Trustee Congdon, supported by Supervisor Kerr to approve the November 12, 2013 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as printed. Vote: all yeas. Motion Passed.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: MOTION by Trustee Congdon, supported by Trustee Cousineau to add under New Business, #7: Budget Adjustments and under Unfinished Business, #3: Health Benefits and #4: Personnel Policy. Vote: All yeas. Motion Passed.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS: Public comments began at 6:38. Comments were received from 1 member of the public. Ended at 6:41 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESENTATIONS: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Presented by Treasurer Ayotte. Adjusted book balance for the month of October, 2013 is \$40,718.73. Informational purposes only, no action taken.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL: MOTION by Trustee Congdon, supported by Trustee Stevens to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Trustees Gunnels, Congdon, Cousineau and Stevens, Clerk Paulson, Treasurer Ayotte and Supervisor Kerr. Nays: None. 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Passed.

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT: Review only, no action taken.

POLICE REPORT/CODE ENFORCER'S REPORT: Presented by Chief Kenny. Informational purposes only. No action taken.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Reports from the following committees were reviewed: Roads, Clio Area Parks & Rec., Regional Planning, Senior Center and MTA.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1): **CDBG BID APPROVAL: MOTION** by Clerk Paulson, supported by Trustee Cousineau to approve the bid from Bedrock Building Inc. for the CDBG project in the amount of \$24,500.00. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Trustees Stevens, Cousineau, Congdon and Gunnels, Treasurer Ayotte, Clerk Paulson and supervisor Kerr. Nays: None. 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Passed.

2): **CONSUMERS ENERGY PLANT – UPDATE:** Informational purposes only. No action taken.

3): **HEALTH BENEFITS:** Informational purposes only. No action taken.

4): **PERSONNEL POLICY: MOTION** by Supervisor Kerr, supported by Treasurer Ayotte to change in the Township of Thetford Personnel Policies P. 15 (3) the additional language: “however, vacation time not taken by December 31st will be monetarily awarded to the employee using his/her hourly wage times the number of vacation hours not used. Furthermore, it is the employee’s responsibility to notify the clerk’s office by December 1st if they intend on not using all of their vacation time. A separate check will be issued for the total amount by December 15th), to be effective immediately. Roll Call vote: Yeas: Trustees Stevens, Cousineau, Gunnels, and Congdon, Treasurer Ayotte, Clerk Paulson and Supervisor Kerr. Nays: None. 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Passed.

B. NEW BUSINESS:

1): **REGIONAL PLANNING BY-LAWS:** Postponed to a January, 2014 meeting.

2): **2014 TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE: MOTION** buy Trustee Congdon, supported by Treasurer Ayotte to approve the 2014 Township Board Meeting Schedule as presented. Vote: All yeas. Motion Passed.

3): **TAX REVERTED PROPERTY:** Postponed to a January meeting to allow time to look over the properties.

4): **FANG – FLINT AREA NARCOTICS GROUP – DISCUSSION:** Informational purposes only. No action taken.

5): **RIGHT TO FARM ACT:** Informational purposes only. No action taken.

6): **CHARTER – FEE INCREASES:** Informational purposes only. No action taken.

7): **BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS: MOTION** by Treasurer Ayotte, supported by Clerk Paulson to add \$280.00 to Assessor General – Equipment, line item 101 209.000 980.000. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Trustees Gunnels, Congdon, Cousineau and Stevens, Clerk Paulson, Treasurer Ayotte and Supervisor Kerr. Nays: None. 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Passed. **MOTION** by Treasurer Ayotte, supported by Trustee Congdon to add \$409.00 to Old Twp Hall – Repair and Maintenance, line item 101 266.000 930.000. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Trustees Stevens, Cousineau, Congdon and Gunnels, Treasurer Ayotte, Clerk Paulson and Supervisor Kerr. Nays: None. 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Passed. **MOTION** by Treasurer Ayotte, supported by Clerk Paulson to add \$240.00 to Park and Pavillion – Repair and Maintenance, line item 101 756.000 930.000. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Trustees Congdon, Gunnels, Stevens and Cousineau, Clerk Paulson, Treasurer Ayotte and Supervisor Kerr. Nays: None. 7 yeas, 0 nays. Motion Passed.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS: Public comments began at 8:07 p.m. There were no comments received from the public. Ended at 8:07 p.m.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Julie Paulson, Clerk