

Highway Commissioner - Michael Lofstrom

Highway Commissioner Lofstrom reported:

- 1.He has hired a new employee with 8 years of experience.
- 2.He has received several complements on the efficient snow removal during the recent snow storm.
- 3.Several projects are being considered for the summer. Culvert replacement on Inverrary Road and resurfacing of Juneway Ave. If it becomes necessary to do only one project the Board feels the safety of the residents should be taken into consideration when determining which project to complete.
The engineers will be assessing the projects before any bids are let.
- 4.The road budget for 2020 has been prepared ready for approval at the March meeting.
- 5.The road levy is reduced by 10%. Permanent Road levy is by referendum.
- 6.He is working on long term capital plans.

Assessor - Gary Raupp

Assessor Raupp reported:

1. The CAMA conversion is complete.
2. His department is working on revaluations: added porches, decks, etc. This information is obtained from listings and aerial photos.
3. The harassment training in his department is complete.

TRUSTEE SHEILA SEBOR INSTALLATION

Trustee Sebor came forward and was sworn in as the new Trustee for Vernon Township. Trustee Sebor joined the sitting Trustees for the remainder of the meeting.

Trustees Report

Trustee Addelson

No report

Trustee Broad

No report - Trustee Broad asked for leave of the Board early.

Trustee Hirsh

Trustee Hirsh had several suggestions:

- .better utilization of the township buildings
- .follow through with the resolutions that the Board has passed including the community garden
- .social service agencies should be highlighted in either the website or township newsletter
- .look into immigration services

Trustee Sebor

No report

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS - Todd Gedville

Director Gedville reported:

1. The camp registration is complete

DIRECTOR OF CONSTITUENT AFFAIRS - Barrett Monie

Director Monie reported:

1. Food pantry hours will include Tuesday and Thursday nights until 7:30 p.m.
2. During the recent federal government shut down several people utilized the township food pantry.
3. The Lincolnshire Garden Club will partner with the township to begin a small 10x10 plot for a vegetable garden. The produce will be given to the recipients of the food pantry.
- 4.He will begin the process of hiring camp counselors.
- 5.He is looking into a punch card for pool attendees.
- 6.Any extra programs i.e. movie night, pool party night, etc. will be the first Friday of each summer month.
- 7.He will investigate highlighting the social agencies in the newsletter.
- 8.Farmer's Market attendance has been light.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS

TOWN FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the TOWN FUND bills in the amount of \$331,251.94 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Sebor. No nays. Motion carried.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND bills in the amount of \$4,878.61 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Sebor. No nays. Motion carried.

CEMETERY FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the CEMETERY FUND bills in the cemetery Fund bills in the amount of \$707.55 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Sebor. No nays. Motion carried.

PARK FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Hirsh to approve the PARK FUND bills in the amount of \$5,822.14 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Sebor. No nays. Motion carried.

ROAD FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the ROAD FUND bills in the amount of \$39,681.11 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Sebor. No nays. Motion carried.

PERMANENT ROAD FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the PERMANENT ROAD FUND bills in the amount of \$86,978.89 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Sebor. No nays. Motion carried.

STATION FUND BILLS

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Sebor to approve the STATION FUND bills in the amount of \$25,481.99 for payment. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Sebor. No nays. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

9a. Discussion and possible action regarding employee health care contributions.

It was moved by Trustee Hirsh and seconded by Trustee Addelson to approve the employee contribution to health insurance be frozen at 15%. Roll call vote: Aye, Addelson, Altenberg, Hirsh, Sebor. No nays. Motion carried.

The Board will review the percentage of contribution upon renewal.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Addelson and seconded by Trustee Sebor to adjourn meeting at 8:43 p.m. All voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Barnabee,
Township Clerk