

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP
Regular Meeting
Carsonville Fire Company Building
June 5, 20134

CALL TO ORDER

The June 5, 2014 Regular meeting of the Jefferson Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman Alan Loesch, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Chairman Alan Loesch, Vice-Chairman Margaret Peterson, Supervisor Keith Crum. Secretary - Treasurer Robyn Loesch; Guests present: Pam Crum, Robin Straub, David Warfel, Valerie Doyle, Michael Harris, Scott Rineer, Chantel Hassinger, Kate Rineer, Deb Everly, Destiny Rineer, Isa Daniels, Brenda Bower, Carol Wegner, Ted Wegner, Lynette Schell, Harold Schell Jr., Bill Brubaker, Dot Brubaker, Joel Ibaugh, Chris Ibaugh, Andrew Osman, Alicia Osman, David Osman, Pastor Ray Hackett, Marleen Hackett, Mike Crum, Mattie Witmer, John Witmer, Brenda Osman; Sheila Keiter, Dot Strohm, John Strohm, Hannah Wagner, Frances Rineer.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD Before the start of the regular business meeting, John Witmer was presented with a plaque recognizing his 40 years of outstanding community service. Supervisor Keith Crum gave a short speech listing John's dedicated accomplishments serving the Township. John was a founding member of the Carsonville Volunteer Fire Company, has served as Fire Chief and President. He continues to be active as a fire policeman. John has also held several Township positions, ranging from Supervisor to Roadmaster. Currently he continues to help out with our Township road work and snow plowing.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Alan Loesch made a motion to approve the minutes of the May1, 2014 Regular meeting as amended. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

TREASURERS REPORT

A summary of the current month's bills was read. A motion to pay the bills was made by Alan Loesch. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

General Fund Bills – \$3,157.52 State Fund – \$ 0

Persons to be Heard - Robin Straub gave a presentation reviewing all of the Township's insurance policies. The Township has two separate workers compensation packages, one for the municipal works and one for the volunteer fire company. The fire company had to change over to the State Workers Insurance Fund (SWIF). There is current legislation that hopefully will help reduce the cost of volunteer fire company coverage. The Township is still in EMC's dividend program. There was no dividend in 2014.

ROAD BIDS There were two sealed bids for the three items of single bituminous seal coat, totaling 20,160 square yards. Hammakers bid was \$1.285/square yard (\$25,905.60) and Martins Paving was \$1.34 (\$27,014.40). Alan Loesch made a motion to accept the bid from Hammakers. Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE - NONE.

ADMINISTRATIVE/TAX ASSESSMENT

#457 – to Michael Harris for a shed

#458 Tim Henninger for a 750 sq. ft. addition

#459 Kurt Hurtzler for a 34' x 42' home addition

Michael Harris asked if his permit costs could be reduced to the actual enforcement costs for starting construction without a permit. Alan Loesch made a motion to accept \$145 for the permit costs (the actual enforcement costs \$95 and the normal permit cost \$50). Margaret Peterson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

ENGINEERING REPORT -

Ed Fisher called before the meeting. The speed study is completed but we do not yet have the completed report. A lower posted speed can effect guiderail material options. The Township would like to post the lowest possible speeds on this road. Ed also provided additional information for the bridge grant application.

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – Chief David Warfel reported that there were five calls.

- An outside fire, that was identified as a controlled burn
- A fire at a residence in Jackson Township
- Trees on wires
- A vehicle accident
- Tree on wires

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT – Deb Everly asked to move the discussion to the July meeting. She would like the Supervisors to define the direction of the committees stream designation efforts.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT - NONE

COG REPORT - At last month's COG, Skip Memmi reviewed some of the County programs available to help local municipalities. The County also set a panel to look into regionalization of local police forces. State Representative Tobash reviewed some recent legislation. The next COG meeting will be June 19, here at Carsonville.

ROAD REPORT - Keith Crum reported that:

- They have cleaned the culverts on Hemlock and Carsonville Rd. two times. There has been a lot of storm debris
- Several incidents of downed trees.
- The truck was damaged, when a tree fell on it during a storm.

- They are still working on the Dirt & Gravel Road project for our grant application with DCCD.
- On Saturday, COG will be holding a flagger course. Municipal flaggers are required to be certified and the State police will be monitoring worksites.
- Keith would like to thank Justin Hoover for his help with the flagging certifications and help with our Dirt & Gravel Road project.

OLD BUSINESS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS - There was a general discussion about the proposed "tax swap", where the school occupational tax of \$250, would be swapped for a .6% increase in EIT taxes. This would be a tax increase for anyone making more than \$42,000 per year. This issue will be up for referendum vote on the November ballot.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Keith Crum wanted to thank everyone that come out to honor John Witmer and make this a special night. Also, he reminded everyone that our meetings are now held the first Thursday of each month.

ADJOURNMENT - Alan Loesch motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Margaret Peterson. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Robyn Loesch
Secretary/Treasurer