

**Regular Meeting
Denton Township Board
June 7, 2017**

Regular Board Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Spaulding, Asher, Seaford, Fuller and Pedersen.

The Treasurer's report was received.

Minutes of the May 3, 2017 Regular Meeting and the May 9, 2017, May 11, 2017 and June 1, 2017 Special Meetings were approved as distributed.

Motion by Fuller supported by Asher to approve the bills for May, 2017.

Release of Restrictive Covenant-Spicer.

Phillip & Shelley Spicer requested a release of the Restrictive Covenant for their property in Trails End Subdivision.

Motion by Asher supported by Fuller to approve the release of the Restrictive Covenant that was filed on Lots 43, 44, & 45 of Trails End Subdivision and in turn file a new Restrictive Covenant with Lots 42, 43, 44 & 45 of Trails End Subdivision. The Spicer's would like to build an accessory structure on Lot 42.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

Purchase Computer for Treasurer's Department.

Two proposals from Kodiak Group for a computer for the Treasurers Department were reviewed.

Motion by Pedersen supported by Fuller to approve the expenditure of \$866.32 for a Lenovo ThinkPad E570 20H5 computer and also any shipping, labor and virus protection also needed.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

Adopt "Principles of Governance" (Proposed by MTA).

The Michigan Townships Association (MTA) is encouraging every township board to adopt and embrace the "Principles of Government" as their own code of conduct.

Motion by Spaulding supported by Seaford to approve and adopt the "Principles of Government". The document will be signed by all elected officials, framed and retained in the Township office.

Fuller – aye, Asher – aye, Spaulding – aye, Seaford – aye, Pedersen – aye, Motion Carried.

Landscape Improvements at the Ambulance Facility.

Motion by Asher supported by Fuller to approve the request from Ambulance Chief Rick Dupon to have the landscape in three (3) proposed sections at the Ambulance Facility refurbished by Tim and Mark Bartholomew at a cost not to exceed \$2,950.00.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

"No Outlet" Sign Request for 15th Street and Dogwood Drive.

Motion by Spaulding supported by Asher to approve the request from Trent Mainville of 122 15th Street to have the Roscommon County Road Commission install a "No Outlet" sign at Dogwood Drive and 15th Street.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

"Slow Children Playing" Sign Request near 504 Dogwood Drive.

Motion by Asher supported by Fuller to approve the request from Deann Gross of 504 Deer Run Boulevard to have the Roscommon County Road Commission install a "Slow Children Playing" sign near her residence.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

Approve Derrick Schultz for Dangerous Building Officer for HLBA/Townships.

A resume from Derrick Schultz for the appointment of the Dangerous Building Hearing Officer for the Houghton Lake Building Agency and the five (5) Townships was reviewed.

Motion by Asher supported by Pedersen to approve the appointment of Mr. Derrick Schultz as the Dangerous Building Hearing Officer.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

Foreclosed Properties in Denton Township/Response to County Treasurer.

A list of foreclosed properties in Denton Township by the Roscommon County Treasurer, as of April 1, 2017 were reviewed.

Motion by Fuller supported by Seaford to respond to the County Treasurer that the Township has no interest in any of these properties that have been foreclosed on in our jurisdiction.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

Sale of Mobile Home at 204 Pigeon Street.

A letter from Milton and Patricia Cottrell requesting permission to sell their mobile home at 204 Pigeon Street was presented and reviewed.

Motion by Asher supported by Fuller to allow Milton and Patricia to sell their mobile home located at 204 Pigeon Street in the Denton Township RV Park.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

Policy & Procedures for Public Inspection and Copying of Public Records for AMAR.

Clerk Asher explained that at the board meeting on November 5, 2014 the Township Board adopted policy with a motion vote and it should have been adopted with a roll call vote. So in order to remedy this the Board should now adopt the Policy and Procedures for Public Inspection and Copying of Records with a resolution number and vote.

Motion by Spaulding supported by Seaford to adopt Resolution #06072017, Denton Township Policy and Procedures for Public Inspection and Copying of Public Records. A complete copy is on file at the Township Office.

Pedersen – aye, Asher – aye, Spaulding – aye, Seaford – aye, Fuller – aye, Motion Carried.

Contractor for Tall Grass and Weed Ordinance.

One bid for contracting for the mowing of residential and/or commercial properties in violation of the Denton Township Tall Grass and Weeds Ordinance was received from Better Yards Landscaping, Inc.

Motion by Fuller supported by Asher to approve the bid from Better Yards Landscaping, Inc. to provide labor and equipment necessary, for cutting grass and weeds in excess of 12” at an hourly rate of \$40.00 per man hour, for the 2017 season.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

Purchase of Property.

The committee of Trustees Fuller and Pedersen, along with Lou Bucilli have recommended to the Township Board to purchase the property adjacent to Sullivan Beach. Property #72-003-370-083-5000 and #72-003-370-083-0000.

Motion by Fuller supported by Pedersen to offer to seller of Lots #72-003-370-083-5000 and #72-003-370-083-0000 a counter offer of \$279,000.00 cash and a closing date of June 24, 2017.

Asher – aye, Spaulding – aye, Seaford – aye, Pedersen - aye, Fuller – aye, Motion Carried.

MTA Township’s Treasurers Retreat.

Treasurer Seaford is requesting approval to attend the MTA-Township Treasurers Professional Development Retreat in July 2017.

Motion by Asher supported by Spaulding to approve the request for the Treasurer to attend the MTA-Township Treasurers Professional Development Retreat to be held at Frankenmuth Bavarian Inn Lodge & Conference Center, in July 2017, at a cost not to exceed 525.00 for class, lodging and mileage.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

Correspondence.

Thank you from Willard’s Equipment for recent purchase.

Thank you from Barb Stauffer re: Household Hazardous Waste 2017 event held June 3, 2017.

2017 AMAR (Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements) scheduled for June 7, 2017.

Thank you from Gary Akin re: removal of motor home on Woodsdale Avenue.

Ambulance, Police, Mobile Home/Campground and Stone Hall rental reports received and filed. There were 166 Ambulance calls for service and 183 Original Police reports. There is one mobile home for sale and there were 15 hall rentals.

Mary Michela, Secretary of the Friends of Trestle Park requested time to speak to the Board and would like her comments to be placed in the permanent records. She presented a binder to the Board which included the Friends of Trestle Park mission statement, a stewardship plan that includes seven (7) specific items that the Friends will do this summer and other pertinent information and recommendations.

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Minutes subject to correction at the next regular meeting of the Board.

Carol A. Asher, Clerk

Bob Spaulding