Proposed Minutes of February 09, 2015

The Ossineke Township Board met in Regular Session, at the Ossineke Twp. Hall. Supervisor Lobert called the meeting to order, at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board Members present were: Supervisor Kenneth Lobert, Clerk Dennis Liske, Treasurer Denise Schultz, and Trustee Jerry Leschinger. Trustee Edie Abbott was absent. Also present were: Randy Fairbanks, Arnold Degen, Leonore Gonsler, and Kevin & Sandra Grulke.

- 1. The minutes of January 12, 2015 were approved as read.
- 2. The Treasurer reported balances on hand as of February 1, 2015 as follows: \$568,673.92 in the General Fund, \$1,279.27 in the Liquor Fund: \$67,424.42 in the Fire Protection & Equipment Fund, and \$105,860.26 in Trust and Agency.
- 3. HUBBARD LAKE LIONS:

Arnold Degen, from the Hubbard Lake Lions Club, informed the township board that the Lions Club received a grant, in the amount of \$9,500.00, to be used for a new chain link fence at the Lions Park.

4. LIQUOR INSPECTIONS:

Nothing.

5. PLANNING COMMISSION:

Treasurer Schultz informed the township board that the next Planning Commission meeting will be on March 18, 2015. She said that this should be near the final meeting to finish up the Recreation Plan.

6. ZONING ADMINISTRATOR & ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:

Randy Fairbanks asked if the township board was going to contract with the Thunder Bay Trails Association again this year, for grooming the Ski Trails. Supervisor Lobert said that it will be placed in the budget when we work on it.

COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION:

Trustee Leschinger informed the board that the County Road Commission will be allowing \$14,658.00 for matching money towards road improvements, in 2015. This means the township will need to spend \$29,316.00 to get it.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

The 2014-2015 budget was reviewed and the following amendment was made. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, CARRIED, to transfer \$237.00 from Contingency to 101-215:703 - Education Fee on the Clerks budget.

9. RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH TOWNSHIP OFFICERS SALARIES 2015:

BE IT RESOLVED, that this RESOLUTION, is subject to MCLA 41.93 (3). In a township that does not hold an annual meeting; the salaries for officers composing the Township Board shall be determined by the Township Board. BE IT RESOLVED, that as of February 20, 2015, the salaries of the Township Board members be as follows:

SUPERVISOR: \$9,000.00 exclusive of assessing duties, 19,000.00 inclusive of assessing duties.

CLERK: \$13,000.00 per year.

TREASURER: \$10,000.00 winter tax collection only; \$13,000.00 winter & summer tax collection.

TRUSTEES: \$1500.00 per year.

The forgoing Resolution offered by board member Leschinger, supported by board member Schultz. ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Lobert, Schultz, Leschinger, Liske. NAYES: None. ABSENT: Abbott. Supervisor Lobert declared the Resolution 2015, ADOPTED.

10. MEETING DATES & MEETINGS:

Clerk Liske presented the monthly meeting dates for fiscal year 2015 - 2016. All regular meeting dates will be the 2nd Monday of each month, at 7:00 p.m., except February's meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. Also, the March meeting in 2016 will be on the last Monday of that month. Supervisor Lobert reminded the board that the next MTA County Chapter meeting will be at Ossineke Township on Monday, February 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Clerk Liske will order refreshment trays and pick up crackers and cookies.

11. COUNTY ASSESSMENT STUDY:

Supervisor Lobert informed the board that he received the assessment study from the Equalization Department and the study came in as follows: 101 Agriculture - 49.69%; 201 Commercial - 48.62%; 301 Industrial - 52.41%; 401 Residential -45.93%. Supervisor Lobert also informed the board that the Equalization Department still don't have a Director.

12. WAGE INCREASES:

Wage increases made for the fiscal year 2015 – 2016 were as follows: Janitors wages from \$10.00 to \$12.00 per hour. Planning Commission Wages from \$50.00 to \$60.00 per meeting and \$65.00 to \$75.00 for person that does the advertising for Planning. Zoning Administrator wages from \$2,500.00 to \$3000.00 per year. Board of Review from \$75.00 to \$100.00 per meeting.

13. BILLS:

Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, CARRIED, to pay all bills presented in invoices 9730 thru 9760.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, CARRIED, to adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

Dennis A. Liske, Clerk

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