

**Proposed Minutes of
March 28, 2016**

The Ossineke Township Board met in Regular Session, at the Ossineke Twp. Hall. Supervisor Lobert called the meeting to order, at 7:00 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, Caroline Siegert, Kevin & Garth Grulke, Tina VanDette, Emily Dorie and Reed Stipanski.

1. The minutes of February 8, 2016 were approved as read.
2. The Treasurer reported balances on hand as of March 1, 2016 as follows: \$267,778.92 in the General Fund, \$1077.95 in the Liquor Fund: \$115,497.87 in the Fire Protection & Equipment Fund, and \$75,196.55 in Trust and Agency.
3. **CITIZENS:**
Tina VanDette asked what the possibility of paving the first mile of Wolf Creek Road, from Nicholson Hill to Elowsky road would be. Supervisor Lobert and Trustee Leschinger said that the County Road Commission has no money and that the possibility has been moved to the year 2021 or 2022. There was more discussion on the condition of all township roads. Supervisor Lobert and Trustee Leschinger went on a road trip with Curt Gagnon, from the Road Commission, to check out the condition of our roads and see what road projects need to be done this year.
4. **REGULAR MEETING RECESS:**
The regular meeting was recessed and the Budget Hearing was called to order at 7:26 p.m.
5. **BUDGET HEARING:**
Clerk Liske presented the 2016-2017 budget to the board members and township residents to review for comments and corrections. There was a question about money being spent on grave digging. It was explained that the Funeral Homes disburse the money to the township and we pay the contractors for digging the graves. This is mandated by the State. There was also discussion on what will happen to the millage for the hospital once it is sold and also comments about the Youth & Recreation millage. Supervisor Lobert asked if there were any other questions on the budget and with seeing none, the Budget Hearing was adjourned and the regular meeting was reconvened at 7:40 p.m.
6. **BUDGET:**
Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to accept the next fiscal year budget, April 1, 2016 thru March 31, 2017 as presented by the clerk.
7. **COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION:**
Supervisor Lobert presented the Alpena County Road Commission contract for the 2016 dust control program, in the amount of \$28,000.00. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to sign the contract with the Road Commission.
8. **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR & ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:**
Randy Fairbanks, our Zoning Administrator & Enforcement Officer, said he had nothing to report this month.
9. **CONTRACTS:**
Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to sign a contract with the Thunder Bay Trails Association, for \$500.00, to help defer the cost of grooming and maintaining the ski trails. The contract will begin April 01, 2016 and end March 31, 2017. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, for Supervisor Lobert and Clerk Liske to sign a contract with the Hubbard Lake Community Center, for Fire Protection and Rescue, with the Hubbard Lake Fire Department, in the amount of \$33,294.00. Contract will run from May 01, 2016 thru April 30, 2017. Schultz moved, Liske supported, **CARRIED**, for Supervisor Lobert and Clerk Liske to sign contracts with Green Township Fire and Rescue, in the amount of \$10,000.00. Contracts will run from May 01, 2016 thru April 30, 2017.
10. **MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS:**
Supervisor Lobert informed the board that the 2016 MTA Capital Conference will be a 2 day Conference. It will be held on April 12th and 13th, 2016, at the Radisson Hotel, in Lansing. Leschinger moved Schultz supported, **CARRIED**, to allow any board member wishing to attend, to do so, with the township paying all expenses including per diem, mileage and meals. Communications was read for a Zoning Board of Appeals Workshop on April 25, 2016, in Gaylord. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to allow the 2 Board of Appeal members who wish to attend, to do so with Ossineke Township paying all expenses, including per diem, mileage and meals. Communications was also read for the MTA UP North Summit that will be held June 7th thru the 9th at Island Resort & Conference Center, in Harris, Mich. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to allow any board member wishing to attend to do so with the Township paying all expenses, including per diem, mileage, meals and lodging.
11. **TREASURERS FINANCIAL INSTITUTE FOR TAX ACCOUNT:**
Treasurer Schultz informed the Ossineke Township board that, since Chemical Bank in Hubbard Lake is closing; she would like to open a savings and checking account at the Alcona, Alpena Area Credit Union, for depositing the Township tax money. These accounts would require only one signature for all transactions by either Denise Schultz or Elaine Fortier. Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, for the Ossineke Township Treasurer to use the Alcona, Alpena Area Credit Union to deposit the Township tax money.

12. **FISCAL YEAR MEETING DATES:**

The meeting dates for the 2016 – 2017 fiscal year was reviewed and approved by the board.

13. **NORTHERN MICHIGAN CODE OFFICIAL ASSOCIATION:**

An application was introduced, from the Northern Michigan Code Officials Association, to participate in the 2016 MADCAD, which will provide members access to an online library of code referenced standards. Access to these standards is now required according to the State of Michigan Bureau of Construction Codes. There is a \$250.00 yearly subscription rate. Leschinger moved, Schultz supported, **CARRIED**, to pay the fee to belong to the Association.

14. **HALL:**

Nothing.

15. **BILLS:**

Leschinger moved, Schultz supported, **CARRIED**, to pay all bills presented in invoices 10055 thru 10085.

16. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Schultz moved, Leschinger supported, **CARRIED**, to adjourn at 8:22 p.m.

Dennis A. Liske, Clerk