

**Forsyth Township Board  
Regular Meeting  
Gwinn Community Center  
September 28, 2017**

Supervisor Boogren called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Supervisor Boogren, Clerk Borrett, Treasurer Roberts, Trustee Adams and Trustee Armatti

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Attorney Kevin Koch, UPEA Representatives Carr Baldwin and Ken Dillinger, a number of township employees and concerned citizens.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Roberts, supported by Adams, to approve the Minutes for August 24, 2017 Regular Board Meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

**Agenda:** Motion by Boogren, supported by Roberts, to approve the agenda with the following change:  
**Add: 10n.** A Jacobson Landscaping: Winter Fertilizing. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Bill Nordeen asked for himself and a group from the Health Department, to speak during Agenda item 11a. Greg Yelland commented on the KI Sawyer Community Center. Supervisor Boogren suggested a meeting in his office. UPEA Representative Ken Dillinger commented on the DNR Passport Grant. Ron Pihlainen commented on Medical Marijuana Dispensaries. Scott Meehan commented on Medical Marijuana Dispensaries.

**Department Reports:** The following reports were placed on file: Ambulance, Assessing/Zoning, Senior Citizens Director, Library, Police Department, Public Works Department, General Operating Financial Report, and KI Sawyer Community Center. Reports not filed: Fire Department.

**Attorney's Report:** Attorney Koch stated he has no service for the Palmer Zoning violation, as he cannot find Ms. Palmer, he has filed for it to be published in the paper. The Malon Zoning violation has a default judgment, and is processing through the Assessing and Zoning Office. Sorenson has a pending tax appeal with current communication. Supervisor Boogren stated he has had calls regarding the Malon property.

**Approval of Bills & Vouchers:** Motion by Roberts, supported by Armatti, to approve the bills and vouchers, totaling \$55,562.71, as presented. Motion carried.

**Forsyth Township  
Bills For Approval  
9/28/17**

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Airgas	PW/FD Cylinder Rental and Gases	2,060.10
A Lindberg & Sons Inc	Rip Rap for Sawyer Park	76.80

American Welding & Gas	EMS Cylinder Rental & Gases	81.49
Astro UP	CH Window	157.81
Auto Value	Parts for Various Depts	1,968.27
Bear Auto Repair	PD Alignment	160.00
BSN Sports	Basketball Court Stencil	54.99
City of Marquette	Bacteriological Analysis	80.00
College Laundry	Carpet and Uniform Service	608.46
Compudyne	Computer Support for Various Depts	781.86
Core & Main	Water Meters and Tools	1,131.03
Crossroads Minimart	PD Fuel	34.06
Dalco	Cleaning Supplies Various Dept	96.18
Display Sales	PW Flag Poles Parts for Light Poles	436.75
Elcom Systems	PD Service Agreement	77.00
Embroidery Wear House	EMS Uniforms	406.31
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Medical Supplies	1,560.80
Fox Marquette	PD Patrol Vehicle Parts	337.94
Fraco	PD PW Concrete	445.43
Galls	PD Uniforms	123.60
GBS	Election Supplies	106.20
Gordon Food	KISCC Food	374.36
Harris	W/S PACE Cert	60.00
JF Ahern	Various Dept Fire Equipment Inspections	1,454.28
Kevin Koch PC	Attorney Fees	1,575.34
Kobas Electric	KISCC Electrical	5,934.00
Kountry Korner	PD Fuel	32.48
Larry's Food	KISCC PD PW Food and Supplies	162.29
Lexipol	PD Policy Manual	5,709.00
Marquette Co Clerk	Election Supplies	1,918.52
Marquette Co Health	KISCC Food License	110.00
Menards	Supplies for Various Depts	1,727.66
Menominee Granite	Paver Bricks	41.72
Midway Rentals	PW Tools	271.22
Motorola	PD Batteries	196.00
North Country Septic	Portable Restrooms	100.00
Nye	PD Uniforms	671.19
OK Industrial	PW Tools	189.00
Pacific Telemanagement	Pay Phone	50.00
Personnel Concepts	PD Employee Posters	20.90
Pitney Bowes	Postage Machine Lease	397.92
Pomps Tire	PD Tires	445.08

Pride Printing	PD Forms	939.00
Quill	Supplies for Various Depts	726.06
Sargents Equipment	Bailer Parts	1,815.86
Snyder Drug	Supplies for Various Depts	56.15
Standard Electric	Nordeen Park Repairs	205.01
State of Michigan	PD Token Fees	297.00
Swick	KISCC Sink and Pump	2,303.65
The Mining Journal	Publishing	339.30
The Office Planning Group	Office Copier	54.92
TransUnion	PD Background Check	50.00
UP Health System	EMS Medical Supplies	48.30
UP Propane	SC Propane	85.00
Wolverine Door Service	FD Keypads	120.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39,266.29</b>

**Forsyth Township  
Additional Bills For Approval  
9/28/17**

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Ace Hardware	Various Dept Supplies	531.05
American Welding & Gas	EMS Oxygen	60.85
Compudyne	Computer Support	261.50
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Medical Supplies	475.22
Fire-Rescue Supply	FD Cutter and Hose	5,000.00
Galls	PD Uniforms	156.08
Gordon Food Service	KISCC Food	116.44
Jet Black	CH Parking Lot Sealing	4,188.19
Menards	Various Dept Supplies	78.12
Midwest Security	Alarm Monitoring	186.00
Nye Uniform	PD Uniforms	103.21
Peter Ghiringhelli	EMS Medical Supplies Reimbursement	19.08
Purchase Power	Postage	520.99
Quill	A/Z Office Supplies	385.02
Snyder Drug	Various Dept Supplies	77.43
Swick Plumbing	KISCC Kitchen Build	973.95
UPEA	Engineering Services	3,112.20
Wells Fargo	PD Business Cards	51.09

	16,296.42
<b>Original Bill Listing</b>	<b>39,266.29</b>
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	<b>55,562.71</b>

Voucher Numbers for GO, Police, Clubhouse, Ambulance, Library, Water & Sewer: 74767-74999  
 Voucher Numbers for Tax 1726-1743  
 Voucher Numbers for Sewer 1023  
 Voucher Numbers for Water 1033-1035

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Rampart Business Associate Agreement (10a.):** Motion by Boogren, supported by Roberts, to approve the Rampart Business Associate Agreement, as presented. Attorney Koch spoke to employees and recommended approval. Motion carried.

**Emergency Siren (10b.):** Motion by Boogren, to approve replacing the Emergency Siren, not to exceed a total of \$10,000, without further Board vote. Discussion ensued. Supervisor Boogren was expecting 3 quotes, but has not received them all. Discussion ensued. Supervisor Boogren has also requested signage on M-35 for Emergency Vehicles exiting and entering Johnson Lake Road. Motion withdrawn by Boogren. Motion by Adams, supported by Borrett, to approve Supervisor Boogren taking the lessor of the bids upon receipt if they are not greater than \$10,000, and if the Supervisor believes they meet the requirements, equal in scope. Supervisor Boogren will inform the Board when a quote is accepted. Motion carried.

**Proposal for Legal Services (10c.):** Supervisor Boogren announced Attorney Kevin Koch has notified the Board of his upcoming retirement. He thanked Attorney Koch for his many years of service. Motion by Adams, supported by Roberts, to approve the Proposal for Legal Services, as presented. Motion carried.

**EMS – Hire EMT / Remove EMT (10d.):** Motion by Boogren, supported by Adams, to approve hiring EMT Nathan Williams, and concurrently approve removing Jim Meyers from the EMS due to work conflicts. Motion carried.

**SC – FY2018 Master Agreement to Purchase Services (10e.):** Motion by Boogren, supported by Armatti, to approve the Marquette County Aging Services Master Agreement to purchase Services, as presented. Motion carried.

**Noise Ordinance Violation Appeal Request (10f.):** Motion by Boogren, supported by Adams, to approve hearing the appeal from Mr. David Beaudette for the Noise Ordinance Violation received on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August, at this time. Motion carried.

David Beaudette introduced himself as currently running the Horseshoe Lake Campground. He explained a Music Festival that had taken place August 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. He went on to explain his timeline of communication with several employees of Forsyth Township. Some of the employees named in Mr. Beaudette’s timeline described communications they had with Mr. Beaudette. Attorney Koch described his communication with Mr. Beaudette.

Motion by Boogren, supported by Adams, to deny the appeal from Mr. Beaudette. Motion carried.

**MTA Training (10g.):** Motion by Adams, supported by Roberts, to approve sending 2 attendants to the MTA Workshop on November 1<sup>st</sup> for approximately \$1,874.82. Motion carried.

**Clock Tower Bids (10h.):** Trustee Adams asked Superintendent of Public Works Eric Jancsi, to explain the bids presented. Superintendent Jancsi explained the bids and intent of each bid. Motion by Adams, to approve the quote for \$10,450 plus expenses, up to \$12,000 for incidentals, to change the clock to electric. Discussion ensued. Roll call: Clerk Borrett – no, Trustee Armatti – no, Treasurer Roberts – no, Supervisor Boogren – no, Trustee Adams – yes. Motion failed 1-4.

Motion by Boogren, supported by Armatti, to approve moving the clock mechanism to the ground floor, totaling \$19,305.00. Discussion ensued. Motion amended by Boogren, support amended by Armatti, to approve moving the clock mechanism to the ground floor with a limit of \$25,000. Motion carried 4-1.

**Big Item Garbage Collection (10i.):** Motion by Roberts, supported by Boogren, to approve funding the Community Wide Clean-up not to exceed \$5,000. Supervisor Boogren stated he and Trustee Adams had met with our local haulers. Tradewind donated money to be used on our volunteers. Motion carried. Bookkeeper Rodgers and Superintendent of Public Works Jancsi will look into a scrap tire grant.

**Excess Equipment Bids (10j.):** Supervisor Boogren explained we had received three bids. Motion by Adams, supported by Armatti, to approve the bid of \$211.00 from Michelle Dean for the Fire Department Bus. Motion carried.

Motion by Boogren, supported by Adams, to approve the bid of \$1,127.21 from Daniel Pelkola for the Public Works Truck. Motion carried.

**Water/Sewer Pay Resolution (10k.):** Motion by Armatti, supported by Adams, to approve the Resolution for payment of funds for the Forsyth Township Non-Participating Project Funds, as presented. Roll call: Trustee Armatti – yes, Trustee Adams – yes, Treasurer Roberts – yes, Clerk Borrett – yes, Supervisor Boogren – yes. Motion carried.

**Water and/or Sewer Ordinance (10l.):** Motion by Boogren, supported by Roberts, to approve the amendment to the Water Ordinance, as presented. Attorney Koch explained the recent changes. Roll call: Trustee Armatti – yes, Trustee Adams – no, Treasurer Roberts – yes, Clerk Borrett – yes, Supervisor Boogren – yes. Motion carried 4-1.

Motion by Roberts, supported by Borrett, to approve the Water Rate Resolution, as presented. Roll call: Trustee Armatti – yes, Trustee Adams – no, Treasurer Roberts – yes, Clerk Borrett – yes, Supervisor Boogren – yes. Motion carried 4-1.

Motion by Boogren, supported by Roberts, to approve the restatement of the Sewer Ordinance, as presented. Roll call: Trustee Armatti – yes, Trustee Adams – no, Treasurer Roberts – yes, Clerk Borrett – yes, Supervisor Boogren – yes. Motion carried 4-1.

Motion by Roberts, supported by Armatti, to approve the Sewer Rate Resolution, as presented. Roll call: Trustee Armatti – yes, Trustee Adams – no, Treasurer Roberts – yes, Clerk Borrett – yes, Supervisor Boogren – yes. Motion carried 4-1.

**Assessor Contract Renewal (10m.):** Motion by Adams, supported by Borrett, to approve the Assessing/Zoning Services Contract, as presented. Motion carried.

**A Jacobson Landscaping: Winterizing (10n.):** Motion by Adams, supported by Armatti, to approve the winterizing quotes from A Jacobson Landscaping totaling \$3,740.00. Motion carried.

***Supervisor Boogren called for a short break at 7:30 pm.***

***Supervisor Boogren called the meeting back to order at 7:35 pm.***

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Fluoride (11a.):** Supervisor Boogren asked for a background of why we currently do not use fluoride. Trustee Adams gave a history of the outcome. Discussion ensued. There were many comments for and against the use of fluoride. Supervisor Boogren requested a cost analysis for transitioning to fluoride use.

**Township Roofs (Clubhouse/Emergency Services Building) (11b.):** Trustee Adams explained the roof on the Emergency Services Building needs to be replaced. The Clubhouse roof needs attention also. There have been leaks in various areas. Discussion ensued.

**Motion by Boogren, supported by Adams, to contract GEI to evaluate the Clubhouse roof for repairs and transitioning to energy efficient lighting. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Adams, supported by Boogren, to request bids for replacing the Emergency Services Building roof for fiscal year 2018-2019. Motion carried.**

**Late Property Transfer Fines (11c.):** Assessor Stachewicz explained that fines should be collected on late Principal Residence Exemption forms. If the Township wished to waive the fines, a resolution is required. It was the consensus of the Board to waive the fees. Assessor Stachewicz will submit a resolution for the next Board Meeting.

**Cemetery Water (11d.):** Supervisor Boogren and Superintendent of Public Works Jancsi explained there was a new development with the water system currently used at the Cemetery. We will revisit this issue in the spring.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**Public Comment:** Scott Meehan commented on fluoride use. Ron Pihlainen commented on marijuana dispensaries. Dr. Brintlinger commented on fluoride use. Rebecca Mino commented on fluoride use. Dr. Mark Breit commented on fluoride use. Dr. Dan Collins commented on fluoride use. Dr. Bill Ballard commented on fluoride use. Hygienist Rebecca Mino and Jerry Messana from the Health Department,

commented on grants for fluoride use. Adam Cornett commented on medical marijuana. Bill Nordeen commented on the EMS roof. David Beaudette commented on Ordinances. Assessor Stachewicz commented on Ordinances. Greg Yelland commented on the clock tower.

**Board Comment:** Supervisor Boogren thanked the residents for their attendance and participation.

**Adjournment:** Supervisor Boogren adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Filizetti  
Board Secretary

Michelle Borrett  
Forsyth Township Clerk