

**Forsyth Township Board
Regular Meeting
Gwinn Community Center
April 19, 2018**

Clerk Borrett called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

Board Members Absent: Supervisor Boogren

Also Present: Attorney Ted Greeley, UPEA Representatives Ken Dillinger, a number of township employees and concerned citizens.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Adams, supported by Roberts, to approve the Minutes for the March 22, 2018 Board Meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

Agenda: Motion by Adams, supported by Roberts, to approve the agenda, as presented. Discussion ensued. Motion amended by Adams, support amended by Roberts, to approve the agenda with the addition of 10g. A Jacobson Landscaping Estimates. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Department Reports: The following reports were placed on file: Ambulance, Assessing/Zoning, Senior Citizens Director, Fire Department, Library, Police Department, Public Works Department, General Operating Financial Report, and KI Sawyer Community Center.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Greeley stated the Mallon condemned property case is ongoing. A temporary restraining order has been awarded and a fence has been put around the property. A vehicle has been towed from the property as well. A preliminary injunction hearing is scheduled for April 25th. He then went over possible options for the upcoming hearing.

Approval of Bills & Vouchers: Motion by Roberts, supported by Armatti, to approve the bills and vouchers, totaling \$90,448.46, as presented. Motion carried.

**Forsyth Township
Bills For Approval
4/19/18**

Vendor	Description	Amount
Airgas	PW/FD Cylinder Rental and Gases	487.34
American Welding & Gas	EMS Cylinder Rental & Gases	118.01
Arrow International	EMS Medical Supplies	320.36
Astro UP	PD Building Repairs	503.60
Auto Value	Parts for Various Depts	757.46
Bound Tree	EMS Medical Supplies	511.69

Casselman & Henderson PC	Attorney Fees	950.00
City of Marquette	Bacteriological Analysis	100.00
City Sales	FD Equip Testing	180.00
College Laundry	Carpet and Uniform Service	458.49
Compudyne	Computer Support for Various Depts	1,162.04
Dalco	KISCC Cleaning & Maintenance Supplies	206.89
Drug Screens Plus	PW Screening	32.00
Embroidery Wear House	EMS Uniforms	271.98
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Medical Supplies	1,055.58
Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC	Attorney Fees	5,109.50
Fox Negaunee	PD Vehicle Repairs and Parts	256.68
Froberg's Clothing	PW Boots	190.00
Galls	PD Uniforms & Equipment	53.00
Gordon Food Service	KISCC Food	405.34
Grand Traverse Resort	MTA Hotel	2,236.00
Harris	PACE Certification	60.00
Joe & Son's Service	PD Tire Change	60.00
Joe Boogren	MTA Conference	463.20
Judy Roberts	MTA Conference	463.20
Masimo Americas	EMS Medical Equip	5,355.00
Menards	Supplies for Various Depts	460.45
Modeltown Express	Fuel for Various Dept	2,403.90
Nye Uniform	EMS Uniforms	384.48
O'Donnell Batteries	PD Battery	139.93
Pomasl	FD Gear	1,817.48
Quill	Supplies for Various Depts	219.10
Range	Miss Dig Calls	25.00
Rebecca Stachewicz	MTA Conference	503.20
Remy Battery	FD Batteries	145.88
Roger Hiironen	SC Plowing	30.00
Stacy Filizetti	MTA Conference	463.20
State of Michigan	PD SOR Registry	120.00
The Mining Journal	Publishing	345.00
UPEA	Engineering Services	170.00
Wex	Fuel for Various Dept	52.15
	TOTAL	29,047.13

**Forsyth Township
Additional Bills For Approval
4/19/18**

Vendor	Description	Amount
Advanced Auto Parts	Various Dept Parts	56.96
Beauchamp Plumbing & Heating	KISCC Fridge Repair	391.09
Canon Financial	Office Copier	135.07
Chris White	Cemetery Refund	200.00
Code Electrical	Well Heater Repair	203.92
College Laundry & Rentals	Uniform and Carpet Service	39.25
Crossroads Truck Repair	Garbage Truck DOT Inspection	95.40
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Medical Supplies	981.88
MML	Insurance Renewal	57,860.00
NMACP	PD Membership Renewal	75.00
Quill	Various Dept Office Supplies	404.44
Shell	Various Dept Fuel	182.50
Standard Electric	Emergency Services Bldg Light	20.48
The Office Planning Group	A/Z Copier	42.09
UPEA	Engineering	450.00
USABlueBook	Water Supplies	63.25
Wolverine Door Service	PW Repair Door	200.00
		61,401.33
Original Bill Listing		29,047.13
Total Accounts Payable		90,448.46

Voucher Numbers for GO, Police, Clubhouse, Ambulance, Library, Water & Sewer: 76486-76705

Voucher Numbers for Tax 1799-1804

Voucher Numbers for Sewer 1025

Voucher Numbers for Water 1035

ACTION ITEMS:

Audit Contract (10a.): Motion by Roberts, supported by Adams, to approve the Audit Contract, as presented. Motion carried.

Depository Resolution (10b.): Motion by Adams, supported by Armatti, to approve the Depository Resolution, as presented. Roll call: Clerk Borrett – yes, Treasurer Roberts – yes, Trustee Adams – yes, Trustee Armatti – yes, Supervisor Boogren – absent. Motion carried.

Road Repairs / Budget Adjustment (10c.): Roads Committee Member, Treasurer Roberts, updated the Board on the recent Roads Committee assessments. She explained the first of two recommendations. Motion by Roberts, supported by Armatti, to approve the recommendation from the Forsyth Township Roads Committee, for a budget adjustment for road repairs of \$220, 000 to include, but not limited to, Half-Way Creek culvert, Iron Street, Voodoo Street and Scorpion Street. Discussion ensued. Treasurer Roberts also explained the Marquette County Road Commission was going to allocate \$140,000 to \$160,000 for the repairs listed. They may also help with further repairs. Trustee Adams commented on Act 56. Motion carried.

Treasurer Roberts then explained the second of the two recommendations. She stated a meeting commenced between Supervisor Boogren and representatives from the Road Commission. The Road Commission's projection to improve our roads, to a good or fair rating, would cost approximately \$270,000 per year, for 10 years. Motion by Roberts, supported by Adams, to approve the recommendation from the Forsyth Township Roads Committee, to reduce the proposed millage rate from 1.9 mills to 1.6 mills for a period of 10 years. Motion carried.

New Flexible Spending Account (10d.): Motion by Adams, supported by Borrett, to approve implementing a Flexible Spending Account. Discussion ensued. Representative Brian Miller clarified the medical spending account portion can be used by employees that are eligible for health benefits. Library Board President, Donna Adams, commented on the Library employee's eligibility. Motion carried.

EMS Officers (10e.): Motion by Borrett, supported by Adams, effective May 1st, approve EMS Interim Director Carilyn Froberg and Interim Assistant Director Gaylord Hamm, as requested. The Board thanked current Director Anthony Baez for his service. They also thanked Jamie Seagle, who is stepping down as Equipment Officer effective May 1st. Motion carried.

Electrical Bid (10f.): Motion by Adams, supported by Roberts, to approve the electrical bid from Kobas Electric for \$17,900, to upgrade the wiring in the Police Department building. Discussion ensued. Superintendent Eric Jancsi explained the project. The bids include generators. UPEA Representative Ken Dillinger explained the bids. Motion withdrawn by Adams. The Board would like specifications on the generators. Motion by Armatti to approve the lowest bidder with the generator omitted from the bid. No support. Clarification needs to be made, prior to taking action. Motion failed.

A Jacobson Landscaping Estimates (10g.): Motion by Adams, supported by Armatti, to accept bids from A Jacobson Landscaping in the amount of \$11,268.00 for Spring fertilizing and maintenance of all areas. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Animal Control Ordinance (11a.): Treasurer Roberts questioned the need for the Ordinance, as zoning currently has an ordinance for kennels and we do not currently have an animal control officer. Assessor Stachewicz stated that their ordinance does not cover loose animals. Chief Warchock stated they have complaints for barking, biting, and loose dogs. Zoning ordinances are different than Police enforced ordinances. Treasurer Roberts will inquire at the MTA conference and will bring information back to inform the Board.

ORV Ordinance Review (11b.): Trustee Adams suggested Police Chief Warchock review the ordinance.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

Public Comment: Lenny Krause commented on having a Medical Marijuana Ordinances. Diane Bostow commented on having a Medical Marijuana Ordinances. Carrie Laituri commented on the electrical bid.

Board Comment: Trustee Adams thanked the residents for their attendance.

Adjournment: Clerk Borrett adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Filizetti
Board Secretary

Michelle Borrett
Forsyth Township Clerk