

**Forsyth Township Board
Regular Meeting
Sawyer Air Museum
September 27, 2012**

Supervisor Minelli called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Minelli, Clerk Filizetti-Hartzell, Treasurer Nordeen, Trustees Roberts and Armatti. All present.

Board Members Absent: None.

Also Present: Attorney Kevin Koch, Superior Extrusion personnel, a number of Township employees and interested citizens.

Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting August 23, 2012 and Public Hearing August 23, 2012: Motion by Nordeen to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting on August 23, 2012 and the Public Hearing on August 23, 2012, supported by Filizetti-Hartzell, with following corrections; Public Hearing called to order at 6:15; Action item 10l: township employees could recover the pool table; Public Comments: Carl Bryzek stated that he wanted the township to make a motion to reduce taxes 45%. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Supervisor Minelli agreed to reserve public comment for Superior Extrusion, which would commence when Action Item 10m. was discussed. A resident presented a letter to each board member regarding Assessing and Taxation information. A member of the Debris committee asked if there was still money in the budget for debris removal.

Agenda: Motion by Nordeen, supported by Armatti, approving the Agenda with additions under action items 10n: Masonry for the Clubhouse Steps, 10o: Trees needing replacement on the Boulevard. Motion carried.

Department Reports: The following reports were accepted and placed on file: Ambulance, Assessing/Zoning, Senior Citizens Director/Clubhouse, Fire Department, Public Library, Police Department, Public Works Department, and Treasurers. A report was not received from the Parks Committee. Minelli addressed the Outstanding Zoning Violations Report. A Mineral Street property has a fence which poses a safety issue. There is also a safety issue with a fence on an Oak street property. Attorney Koch will write letters to both residents outlining the safety issues involved.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Koch stated that there were four Civil Rights cases, which have all been dismissed. The MediRide pretrial is set for November 2nd. The Buchler trial is set for November 20th. The Denessen case is likely to have a guilty plea on September 28th. The Tousignant site has been visited, and is 95% cleaned up. Attorney Koch will write a letter regarding the remainder of the debris. According to the contact made recently with Attorney Koch, the EMS training mannequin is due to arrive soon.

Approval of Bills & Vouchers: Motion by Nordeen, supported by Armatti and unanimously carried to approve bills and vouchers (\$52,825.94), as presented.

**Forsyth Township
Bills to be Approved**

27-Sep-12

Vendor	Description	Amount
Airgas	Supplies-Shop & EMS	121.57
Anderson Communications	Radio Repairs-Fire	1,716.85
Apex Software	Annual Maintenance Agreement-Assessor	430.00
Aramark Uniform Service	Uniform & Carpet Service	783.92
Auto Value	Misc. Parts/Supplies	3,910.56
Bergdahl's	Weedeater Parts	78.44
Catron's Lumber	Supplies-Tourist Park Project	159.96
City of Marquette	Water Analysis	120.00
Compudyne	Computer Repairs-Assessor	81.50
County of Marquette	Demolition Permit-Maple Street	89.00
County of Marquette	Zoning Map	1,200.00
Crossroads Truck Repair	Valve-Fire	61.17
Darley	Saw & Blade-Fire	1,471.19
Frei Chevrolet	Parts for Dump Truck	525.61
Galls	Police Equipment	44.95
Harris	Checks	431.11
Holiday 50 Minute Cleaners	Dry Cleaning-Police	58.53
Joe & Sons	Tires and Vehicle Repairs	300.73
Kevin Wm. Koch PC	Attorney Fees	2,816.67
Marquette County Road Commission	Dust Control	2,150.67
Marquette Fence Company	Street Signs	543.00
Menards	Supplies-Office Project, Shop, Clubhouse	162.30
Menominee Granite	Memorial Bricks	41.72
Northern Michigan University	Training-Police	160.00
Pomasl Fire Equipment	Fire Equipment	1,089.32
Quill Corporation	Office Supplies - Office & Assessing	328.15
Rampart EMS	Ambulance Billing	2,689.50
Range Telecommunications	Miss Dig Services	18.50
RDJ Specialties, Inc.	Halloween Bags	444.62
Sewer Equipment Company	Sewer Parts	524.87
Sim Supply	EMS Builing Supplies	120.58
Snyders	Supplies-Police & EMS	43.93
State of Michigan	Radio Subscription Fees-Fire	76.66
The Office Planning Group	Copier Maintenance Agreements	904.04
UPEA	Professional Services-Tourist Park Project	2,984.54
Wolverine Door Service	Door Repairs-EMS & Buildings & Grounds	203.11
		26,887.27

**Forsyth Township
Bills to be Approved
Additions
27-Sep-12**

Vendor	Purpose	Amount
Ace Hardware	Supplies-Variou Departments	1,910.58
Anderson Communications	Battery-Fire	8.50
Beauchamp Plumbing & Heating	Boulevard	157.79
Brenda Kurian	EMT License Application Fee	100.00
Broadway	Dump Truck Parts	1,098.15
Compudyne	Computer Set-Up-Office	37.50
Crossroads Truck Repair	Dump Truck Parts	61.17
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Supplies	624.19
Froberg's	Rain Suit	18.99
Galls	Boots-Cadwell & Wonch	219.98
Holiday 50 Minute Cleaners	Dry Cleaning-Police	55.75
James Finkbeiner	Police Training	100.00
Lammi Fire Protection	Fire Extinguishers-Police	150.50
	Supplies-Office & Tourist Park	
Lowe's	Projects	610.05
Marc	Paint for Water	456.00
Marquette General	EMS Supplies	31.02
Mediride	Intercepts	3,858.76
Menards	Supplies-Boulevard & Park Projects	505.72
Neil's Trucking	Maple Street Demolition	7,811.00
Northern Reporters	Deposition for Buchler Suit	337.50
Quill Corporation	Office Supplies-Senior Center	408.38
R&R Fire Truck Service	Truck Services	4,770.72
UPEA	Professional Services	2,096.60
Vulcan Signs	Street Signs	438.90
Wells Fargo Credit Card	Office Supplies-Office	70.92
		25,938.67
	Original Bill Listing	26,887.27
	Total Accounts Payable	52,825.94

Voucher Numbers for GO, Police, Clubhouse,
Ambulance, Library, Water & Sewer:
61347-61650
Voucher Numbers for Tax: 1344-1350

ACTION ITEMS:

Fire Department – Fire Equipment Needed (10a.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Roberts, to purchase 3 turn out lights totaling \$270.00, 2 reconditioned air packs totaling \$1,800.00, various adapters and fittings for fire truck totaling \$1,100.00, 1 nozzle for \$525.00, Skull Saver for \$125.00. Motion carried.

Fire Department – New Hire (10b.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Roberts, to hire Tamara Stansky as a firefighter. Motion carried.

Fire Department – Price Adjustment for Axillary Pump on new fire truck (10c.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Armatti, to increase the Fire Truck funding by \$4,915.00 for new pump. Motion carried.

Fire Department – Fire Truck Financing (10d.): Alternative financing to be investigated.

EVIP (10e.): Board members approved the EVIP report as presented. They commended Rodgers on her efforts.

Committee to review Police Applicants (10f.): The Review Committee will consist of: Judy Roberts, Chief Tim Rector, Jane Nordeen, and Sergeant Brian Kjellin.

Public Works – Heat Exchanger (10g.): Motion by Filizetti-Hartzell, supported by Armatti, to transfer \$5,695.00 from Contingency to Public Works Capital Outlay for a Heat Exchanger. The following bids were submitted: RW Energy Inc. \$5,695.00, Bietila’s Engineering Inc. \$7,780.00, Waste Oil Doctor \$7,960.00. Motion by Armatti, supported by Nordeen, to purchase a Heat Exchanger, for the Public Works garage, from RW Energy Inc. for \$5,695.00. Motion carried.

Office Glass Proposal (10h.): Motion made by Nordeen, supported by Armatti, for approval to purchase glass for the office from Champion Glass & Countertops in the amount of \$1,612.42. Motion carried.

Resident Parking Correspondence (10i.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Armatti, to approve Wagner’s plan to expand parking area at 125 North Pine Street, and reuse fence for repairs. Motion carried.

Clubhouse Parking Lot (10j.): Motion by Filizetti-Hartzell, supported by Minelli, to acquire bids for paving the clubhouse parking lot. The bids should include quotes for 20 and 30 parking spaces. Motion carried.

Library - Relocation (10k.): Motion by Filizetti-Hartzell, supported by Nordeen, to support the relocation of the Library. Motion carried.

Salvation Army Lease (10l.): Attorney to contact Salvation Army with possible options.

Supervisor Minelli called a brief recess at 8:02 p.m. Meeting back in session at 8:10 p.m.

Superior Extrusion IFT (10m.): Motion by Filizetti-Hartzell, supported by Nordeen, to table, as the board was presented with more material from Superior Extrusion and has not had time to review the new material. Motion carried.

Clubhouse Steps (10n.): Motion by Filizetti-Hartzell, supported by Minelli, to accept the bid from RG Custom Masonry to replace the clubhouse steps for \$6,800.00. Motion carried.

Trees for Boulevard (10o.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Armatti, to purchase four trees at a cost of \$900.00. Motion carried 4-1.

Fire Department – Retiree: Motion by Filizetti-Hartzell, supported by Minelli, to send a Thank You Letter and to accept Bill Nordeen’s resignation from the Fire Department with regret. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Trick or Treating Hours: October 31st 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Fire Department – Bill Nordeen Retiring after 14.5 years of Service: See under Action Item above.

Fire Department – Review Building Use Agreement: After discussion, liaison Nordeen will bring document back to the fire department to discuss possible changes.

Mass Mailing regarding Water Project: Nordeen will produce a document, which will be mailed to the residents.

Active Car: Consensus of board members to use the Active Car for training purposes.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

A resident commented regarding a taxable value complaint. A resident spoke against SEI IFT exemption. Martin Lake area has had break-ins. The income is needed for more patrol, therefore not in favor of SEI IFT exemption. Martin Lake Road needs maintenance. Sporley Lake Road has high accident rate because of needed maintenance.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT:

Minelli and Armatti to discuss Clubhouse Parking Lot concerns.

Nordeen suggested Board Members take a tour of SEI.

Minelli urged Board Members to consider current income needs of the community when contemplating decision of the SEI IFT exemption.

Adjournment: Supervisor Minelli adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Filizetti
Clerk/Secretary