

**Forsyth Township Board
Special Meeting
Gwinn Community Center Lions Room
October 16, 2014**

Supervisor Minelli called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Minelli, Treasurer Roberts, Trustee Adams and Trustee Bodenus

Board Members Absent: Clerk Nordeen

Also Present: A number of concerned citizens.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Adams, supported by Bodenus, to approve the minutes for September 25, 2014 Regular Board Meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Dale Ackerly stated he was still available to help with the Police Chief interviewing process.

Agenda: Motion by Adams, supported by Roberts, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS:

Blacktop Bids (7a.): Supervisor Minelli explained that there were three bids for blacktopping the Clubhouse parking lot. The bids all came in very high. The bids were from Superior Paving for \$94,500, Smith Construction for \$62,850, and Associated Constructors for \$52,270. Supervisor Minelli suggested waiting until next season, as the bids would probably come in lower. No action was taken.

Review Police Chief Applications (7b.): Supervisor Minelli explained we had received several applications, some not meeting the requirements listed in the ads. He explained we could re-advertise with different requirements or interview the applicants that we currently had that did meet the requirements. Trustee Adams stated he was disappointed to see that the candidate that he felt would best suit the position did not hold a Bachelor's degree. Trustee Bodenus stated we should interview the applicants that qualify with the requirements. If at that time we do not find a suitable candidate, then we could reconsider the qualifications. Motion by Roberts, supported by Bodenus, to interview the 5 applicants with a Bachelor's degree and experience. Motion carried 3-1.

Reconsideration of Police Chief Requirements (7c.): No action taken.

Re-Advertise for Chief of Police (7d.): No action taken.

Public Comment: Steve Rodgers recommended having the same questions asked to the interviewees, in order to avoid a possible discrimination lawsuit. Tim Rector asked for a list of the candidates. Supervisor Minelli informed Mr. Rector that the list would be available with a Freedom of Information Request.

Board Member Comment: None.

Adjournment: Supervisor Minelli adjourned the meeting at 6:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Filizetti
Clerk/Secretary

Jane Nordeen
Forsyth Township Clerk