

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING HELD ON JANUARY
19, 2016, AT 1:00 P.M.**

Trustees present: Verbeek, Olson, Hicks, Fackler, and Barber.

Olson made a motion to approve agenda with addition of groundskeeper position under 'Guest' , in the 'Public Comment' section. Seconded by Hicks. Carried.

Olson made a motion to approve the minutes of the December meeting. Seconded by Verbeek. Carried.

Public Comment: Craig Kirkpatrick thanked the Board for allowing him to serve on the Planning Commission.

Groundskeeper position. We received four bids. After careful review of all the bids:
Verbeek made a motion to accept a three year bid submitted by Creative Lawn and Landscaping (Wayne Nelson, our current provider) for \$12,500/ year. Seconded by Barber. Olson abstained. Carried.

Planning Commission: **Fackler made a motion to give permission to Planning Commission to ask Spicer, and/or both Township Attorneys, legal questions. Seconded by Verbeek. Carried.** Barber stated some members need to be sworn in. The Planning Commission would like an ad put in the Cass River Trader advertising the vacant seat on the Planning Commission Board and requesting applications from interested parties.

Parks and Rec: Verbeek reported that their meeting was moved to January 28, 2016.

Fackler has VAAS minutes from the October 15, 2015, meeting.

Zoning Administrator: 30 permits were issued in 2015.

Fackler made a motion to accept Spicer's letter agreement for professional services to assist on purchase of land off of Van Cleve Rd. from Blasius, Inc. Seconded by Olson. Carried.

Hicks made a motion to approve resolution to remove a portion of land out of a PA116 for John Schluckbier. Seconded by Olson. Carried.

Hicks made a motion to amend the Township minutes from the June, 2016,meeting to include the reappointment of Sandy Keyes as Library Representative. Seconded by Olson. Carried.

Hicks made a motion to approve a resolution to send to the County Commissioner's Board stating the Township Board's disapproval of the possibility of the combination of the managerial positions from the County Clerk's office and the Register of Deeds office. Seconded by Fackler. Carried.

Roll Call: Yes- Fackler, Olson, Verbeek, Barber, and Hicks.

Fackler made a motion to postpone the March 15, meeting until March 22, 2016. Due to a conflict with the Board of Review meeting. Seconded by Hicks. Carried.

Fackler made a motion to have our budget work session on February 23, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. And hold the Public Hearing for the budget meeting on March 22, 2016, at 12:30 p.m. Seconded by Olson. Carried.

Fackler announced that during our budget work session and Public Hearing, wages will be discussed.

Olson will get estimates for tree removal in the Cemetery.

Olson made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$26,668.39. Seconded by Hicks. Carried. Roll Call: Yes- Fackler, Barber, Verbeek, Hicks, and Olson.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Hicks, Clerk

Tod Fackler, Supervisor