

SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
Soo Township Community Center
August 13, 2014

PRESENT

Larry Perron
Jim Callon
Don Kucharczyk
Cheryl Thoresen
Andree Watson

The August meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor, Larry Perron. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. Ron Donmyer, Jeff Killips, Luanne Kooiman, Mr. & Mrs. Don McLean, Mike Zimmerman and Pat Zimmerman were in attendance.

A motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2014 board meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

- Mike Zimmerman, a Soo Township resident, expressed concern regarding the safety of drivers along a portion of Shunk Road, south of Three Mile Road, and the increasing amount of car/deer accidents taking place. He was asking if the Township could place deer crossing signs along that stretch of road. The supervisor to check into it.
- Don McLean presented a report from SORVA (Sportsmen Off-Road Vehicle Association).

Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to adopt Resolution #2014-14; a Proposal for one DNR designed Trail in Chippewa County - Rail grade east of Raco to Sault Ste. Marie (all owned by the State of Michigan). A Roll-call vote was taken: Larry Perron-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, and Cheryl Thoresen-yes. Motion carried.

Luanne Kooiman presented an after-the-fact Land Division request for the DePlonty property. **A Motion was made by Cheryl Thoresen and supported by Don Kucharczyk to approve this Land Division request #012-332 Resolution #2014-15. A Roll-call vote was taken; Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, and Larry Perron-yes. Motion carried.**

Luanne Kooiman presented the 2014 Tax Rate options for Soo Township Operations for 2014. **A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Jim Callon that per Resolution #2014-16, the total millage rate of 1.0683 mills be levied upon property located within Soo Township for 2014. A Roll-call vote was taken: Larry Perron-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes, and Jim Callon-yes. Motion carried.**

A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to hire Miles Anderson, a Level IV Appraiser, to do a Commercial Appraisal of Wendy's property and support the Assess on Tribunal Proceedings. A Roll-call vote was taken: Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, and Larry Perron-yes. Motion carried.

Jeff Killips reported that the Annual Firemen's picnic and Open House is scheduled for September 20th.

Budget vs actual for July was presented. **A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Don Kucharczyk to transfer \$2,000 from Cemetery Repairs/Maintenance Roads to Cemetery Repair of Tombstones. A Roll-call vote was taken: Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, Larry Perron-yes, and Don Kucharczyk-yes. Motion carried.**

A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to order two sets of Labor Law posters for the hall and cemetery through Intuit, Inc. at a cost of \$70.39 each. A Roll-call vote was taken: Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, Larry Perron-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes, and Jim Callon-yes. Motion carried.

The Clerk reported of flooding problems in the spring and after a heavy rain in a section of Nicolet Road between the 4600 and 4900 blocks. Flooding is caused by water running from the west side of Nicolet to the east side and insufficient culverts and ditch levels. The Road Commission and Hazard Mitigation are checking into the problem

The Planning Commission reported that 25 Zoning Books are being printed.

A Motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Andree Watson to pave 15 Mile Road, a distance of 1.36 Miles and Cummings Road and 17 1/2 Mile Road, a distance of 1.5 Miles at a cost not to exceed \$220,000. A Roll-call vote was taken: Larry Perron-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, and Cheryl Thoresen-yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Jim Callon to pay the July bills from ck #7233 to ck #7252 totaling \$12,268.37 and August bills from ck #7253 to ck #7298 totaling \$25,147.38 including Electronic Transfer in the amount of \$3,319.50 for August payroll taxes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m

Andree Watson
Clerk