

**SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**  
**Soo Township Community Center**  
**December 11, 2013**

**Present:**

Larry Perron, Supervisor  
Jim Callon  
Don Kucharczyk  
Cheryl Thoresen  
Andree Watson

The December meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor, Larry Perron, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Killips, Luanne Kooiman, Chuck Palmer and Rob Shields were in attendance.

The following corrections were made to the November 13<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting minutes:

1. The Treasurer reported that the taxpayer would pay a 3% service charge for using a credit card to pay taxes, not 3.5%
2. the Commission is receiving information from Jeff Hagan for the Master Plan

**A motion was made by Jim Callon supported by Don Kucharczyk to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2013 Board Meeting as corrected. Motion carried.**

Luanne Kooiman, Assessor, presented the following Land Division for approval:  
#012-327 Freeborn Resolution #2013-10

**A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to approve the Land Division as presented. A roll-call vote was taken: Larry Perron-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, and Cheryl Thoresen-yes. Motion Carried.**

The Assessor reported that the State passed a new law that allowed disabled veterans and unmarried widows of disabled veterans to apply to get 100% of the property tax waived. Certification from the Veterans office is required. The Board of Review is extending the application time period until the end of December.

Rob Shields gave the monthly Fire Department activity report.

The November 2013 actual vs budget figures were presented and discussed.

**A Motion was made by Cheryl Thoresen and supported by Andree Watson to transfer \$500 from Equipment-Furniture & Fixtures to Equipment-Office Equipment. 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 Don Kucharczyk and supported by Jim Callon to purchase a new computer for the Fire Department at a cost not to exceed \$500. A roll-call vote was taken: Don Kucharczyk-yes, Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, and Larry Perron-yes. Motion carried.**

**A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Cheryl Thoresen to amend the motion made April 10, 2013 making Four Mile Beach Park smoke-free to making the Four Mile Beach Park Smoke and Tobacco Free and to approve Resolution #2013-11 prohibiting smoking and the use of tobacco at the Park. A roll-call vote was taken: Andree Watson-yes, Cheryl Thoresen-yes, Larry Perron-yes, Don Kucharczyk-yes and Jim Callon-no. Motion carried.**

The Treasurer reported she was moving forward on the necessary paperwork needed to allow residents to pay for their taxes by credit card. There will be no charge to the township for this service.

Jim Callon, Permit Administrator, reported there were two permits issued for November.

Trustee, Don Kucharczyk, is working with the Zoning Board of Appeals to reorganize and report back to the Board.

The Supervisor reported on the status of those residents still in violation of the Nuisance Ordinance. The attorney to follow-up with letters and further action if needed.

**A Motion was made by Don Kucharczyk and supported by Jim Callon to approve the November bills from check #6882 to check #6893 totaling \$24,072.37 and December bills from check #6894 to check #6924 totaling \$10,623.82 including Electronic Transfer in the amount of \$2,118.86 for December payroll taxes. Motion carried.**

Andree Watson  
Clerk