## SOO TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING Soo Township Community Center April 13, 2016

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

The April Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor, Larry Perron, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Jeff Killips and Chuck Palmer were in attendance.

Jeff Killips gave the monthly report on the Fire Department. Brandon Horstman and Justin Brown have been added to the roster of the Fire Department.

Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Jim Callon to proceed with the purchase of a 2016 Brush Fire Truck at a cost not to exceed \$100,000. Monies to come from the unused portion of the Road Construction line item. A Roll-call vote was taken: Larry Perron-yes, Jim Callon-yes, and Andree Watson-yes. Don Kucharczyk and Cheryl Thoresen were absent. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Jim Callon to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2016 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Budget vs Actual for March was presented and discussed.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Andree Watson to transfer the following line items:

- \$700 from Contingency Fund to Election Salaries
- \$200 from Contingency Fund to Election Training
- \$5000 from Contingency to Attorney
- \$3000 from Contingency to Cemetery

## A Roll-call vote was taken: Jim Callon-yes, Andree Watson-yes, and Larry Perronyes. Don Kucharczyk and Cheryl Thoresen were absent. Motion carried.

Per the Auditor, the delayed payment in July 2015 for \$23,928 to the Chippewa County Road Commission for completion of work on Neebish Island had to come out of the 2014/2015 budget as the contract for the work was signed during that budget year. Therefore, the budgeted amount for Road Construction for the 2015/2016 year still has a balance of \$180,000.

The Clerk reported that the Accuracy test for the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Special Election will be at the Soo Township Hall on April 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am. A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Larry Perron to approve the following precinct workers for Soo Township for the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Special Election: Karen McClenney, Betty Suriano, Rose Talentino, Andree Watson, and Bev Youngs. Motion carried.

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A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Andree Watson that the cleanup days for Soo Township residents for 2016 are at Smith Sanitation and as follows:

Friday, May 208:00 am - 5:00 pmSaturday, May 218:00 am - noonFriday, June 10th8:00 am - 5:00 pmSaturday, June 11th8:00 am - noonMotion carried.8:00 am - noon

Jim Callon reported that 1 permit had been issued for the month. The Master Plan is being finalized by the Planning Commission.

The Attorney Chuck Palmer reported on the following matters:

- Mr. Rivera has agreed to the clean-up of his property within 30 days of load limits being lifted. If the property is not cleaned up, the Township will file a Consent Judgment and Motion for costs
- The Judgment against Mr. & Mrs. Siegwart has been paid
- King property remains to be cleaned up to Township satisfaction
- Arbic suit pending

The Attorney reported that the Amish homes on 5 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Mile Road have been red tagged for non compliant living structure. A suit has been filed against the Amish property on Six Mile Road

Larry Perron, Supervisor, reported that a thorough preliminary study has been done on the two Insurance companies submitting bids for Township coverage. The two companies are Lind and Lind Insurance Company and Municipal Underwriters.

A Motion was made by Andree Watson and supported by Jim Callon to give the Insurance Committee consisting of Larry Perron and Don Kucharczyk the authority to acquire insurance coverage for the township and retain the Company they recommend after reviewing both Companies. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Jim Callon and supported by Andree Watson to pay the March bills from ck#8161 to ck #8163 totaling \$666 and the April bills from ck#8164 to ck#8204 totaling \$25,324.79, which includes the Electronic Transfer in the amount of \$1,675.32 for March payroll taxes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Andree Watson