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MINUTES OF THE ELM RIVER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MAY 18, 2011

The regular township monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Jim Saur, Margaret Lindeman, Deb Maki, and Bob Sibilsky.

LETTER OF RESIGNATION: As of 5-11-11 a letter of resignation was received from Lynn Huotari effective immediately. A motion to accept the resignation with regret was made by Jim Saur supported by Bob Sibilsky, all voted aye.

MINUTES OF MEETING: The minutes of the April 18, 2011 meeting were read and approved. Motion to approve: Lindeman/Saur, all voted aye.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report was given by Clerk Sibilsky. A \$7,215.00 invoice for property and vehicle coverage being the largest expenditure of the monthly payments totaling \$19,129.19. No bank balances were available at this time. The treasurer's report was accepted as given.

CORRESPONDENCE:

MTA is offering a new worker's comp. program which is to be available in the near future.

Marilyn Shei of the grant agency that could have funded the berm project advised us that their agency was being discontinued by the State.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Township Hall / Tanker USDA: No new information on funding.

Dust Control: Material has been ordered by the County Road Commission exact date for application to take place isn't known at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Census: The report that was provided the township at our recent regional meeting appeared inaccurate and has been challenged by our supervisor. We are waiting for a follow-up call from the agency dept. head. This count could affect our revenue sharing.

Road Litigation: Hearing scheduled for May 2 has been postponed until June 27, 2011

Lake Water Testing: Board approved going ahead with the testing. Planning Comm. has June 27th meeting scheduled with WHITEWATER TESTING to review their plan and complete the contract documents.

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE: The PC meeting is scheduled for Monday. Work is ongoing on completion of the master plan sections.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Joan Boyer read a letter to the board contending that the board wasn't neutral regarding the road litigation. The letter and concerns would be referred to our attorney.

John Reynolds questioned the fire fund truck balance. \$106,000.00 is the current balance.

John Reynolds wanted to inquire about the internet service and the possibility of getting their own router. We are not sure if the problem is equipment or the service.

Concern about the minutes being promptly published was discussed. Minutes are published on the website promptly, usually 2 to 3 days after the Board approves them.

Joe Siller asked about who was our township attorney, who pays for them, who do they work for? Supervisor Maki gave explanation of the procedures and why.

Joan Pattison felt that the board should reject the resignation of Lynn Huotari.

PAY MENT OF BILLS: Motion to pay bills amounting to \$19,129.19 was made by Maki/Lindeman, all voted aye.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Next Meeting June 20, 2011

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Saur/Sibilsky, all voted aye.

Robert L. Sibilsky, Clerk Deb Maki, Supervisor

TREASURER: In order fill the treasurer position the board reconvened the meeting and appointed the current deputy Cheryl Reynolds to fill the term of office.

Motion: Saur/Maki, all voted aye