

MINUTES
STURGIS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MARCH 1, 2010
26015 WEST US 12 - 2:00 P.M.

Supervisor Morse called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. Krzycki, Bobalik and Hovarter were present. Arney was absent. Gary Bland, Zoning Administrator, and Dale Hutson, Assessor, were also present.

The agenda was approved as written.

State Representative Matt Lori stopped in to say a few words. He stated that revenue sharing was very possibly going to be cut another 3.1 percent in addition to the 4 percent already announced.

The Budget hearing segment of the meeting began at 3:15 at which time the board members and visitors perused the proposed budget and found it satisfactory. The regular meeting commenced at 3:20.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT: The Board of Review will meet March 9th and March 18th.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Bland has been working with Northland Oil. The company is building an addition and combining two parcels. Cabinsag's house on Sunnyfield is still red flagged. The buyers of PMI have been asked to submit a business plan to the Planning Commission.

MINUTES: Approved on a motion by Bobalik. Seconded by Krzycki.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT: Approved on a motion by Krzycki. Seconded by Morse.

JANUARY TREASURER'S REPORT: Approved on a motion by Bobalik. Seconded by Hovarter.
FEBRUARY TREASURER'S REPORT: Approved on a motion by Bobalik. Seconded by Hovarter.
Krzycki had looked into Multi Bank Securities, Inc. Their function is to make sure investments are placed where they will be covered by insurance. Motion made by Bobalik to use their services was seconded by Morse. Motion carried.
Adjustments were made to 2009/2010 budget to balance it. Bobalik made a motion to approve. Hovarter seconded.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hovarter made a motion to renew our insurance with Burnham & Flowers for another year and was seconded by Bobalik. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

The proposed budget for 2010/2011 was adopted and approved with a motion by Bobalik, seconded by Morse. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS CON'T:

The meeting dates of the Township Board and the Planning Commission for the new fiscal year were approved on a motion by Hovarter, seconded by Bobalik. Motion carried.
Dump passes were approved for the new fiscal year on a motion by Morse, seconded by Bobalik. Motion carried.

FIRE: No report.

AMBULANCE: Bobalik reports things are running smoothly.

A nostalgic artifact now hangs on the wall in the meeting room of the Township Hall that was donated to the Township by George Morse and his wife Diane and his son Kevin. It is a large plaque made from the wood of a bur oak tree that stood for many, many years on the property now owned by the Township. In August of 2007 tornado like winds uprooted the tree. Pat Arseneau removed the wood and salvaged what he could. Morse had asked for a slab of the trunk with the idea of a plaque. He asked his son Kevin to draw a replica of a bur oak tree in the middle of it. Morse's wife had attended White School, a rural school that was located on the property for many years. David Deam of D&D Custom Repair made wall brackets that were strong enough to support the heavy plaque. It is an awesome plaque and the Township is grateful to George and his family.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15

Submitted by:

Jo Hovarter
Sturgis Township Clerk