

**ROSE TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
JANUARY 9, 2017**

The Rose Township Board held their regular meeting January 9, 2017. Meeting was opened by Supervisor Russell Oyster with the pledge to the flag at 7:00pm.

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS:**

Present- Kelli Collins, Russell Oyster, Carol Hanus, Aaron Gemmill, Linda Blair. Absent - None.

**MINUTES:**

Minutes of the last regular meeting were read by Kelli Collins. **Motion by Carol Hanus to accept the minutes as read. Second by Linda Blair. Motion voted and carried.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter received from City of West Branch on Irons Park/Fort Austin Crowdfunding Grant.

Letter from Ogemaw Herald/Sunrise asking for dates of Board of Review.

Letter from Robertson and Carpenter informing of retiring and selling business to Johns & Schulze.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Cemetery - An error in the cemetery management/selling of plots has occurred. A deceased person was to be buried in Lane Heights and presented a Deed for a Lot purchased several years ago. It was discovered another person had been buried in that lot. Discussion was held on correcting this mistake and making changes in the Administration/Record Keeping going forward. Carol will check with Pontem on prices for purchasing software for Cemetery Management. Also discussed was separating the maintenance/record keeping and adjusting the salaries accordingly.

Due to this error it was agreed to let the Thompson family purchase 3 more plots at \$35 each. Russell will advise and speak to Dan Korman.

Collection Center - Aaron advised the new signs are up at the collection center.

Township Hall - Bathroom remodel has begun.

Fire Department - Nothing.

Roads - Nothing.

MTA - Nothing.

County Commissioner - Ron Quackenbush stated they have transferred \$300,000 from the revolving fund to 911 Budget which will carry them thru October 2017. A Steering Committee has been formed to develop options for funding 911. EMS has agreed to a user fee. They are still discussing fees to other entities. Russell asked about township board members on the 911 board. Rose Township board discussed the importance of keeping township board members on the 911 board in lieu of the discussions of possibly charging township entities a fee. Kelli asked that they keep transparency throughout the discussions and involve townships.

4-H is still discussing a possible millage to be put on the ballot in May. Several people are helping with funding this election.

The Transit Director salary has been raised.

The Sheriff advised Commissioners of lost revenue due to layoffs. The commissioners have decided to wait and see what the final outcome of this lost revenue is to see if it continues or corrects itself.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

General - \$68,704.41

Road - \$94,343.24

Fire - \$277,184.39

Moth - \$5,041.38

Sp. Road - \$7,721.80

Tot. Bal - \$452,995.22

Tot. CD's - \$233,497.24

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Nothing.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Budget workshop was discussed. It was agreed to have a workshop Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 6 pm.

Board of Review Training is scheduled for West Branch February 14, 2017. Russell advised 4 members will need to attend at a total cost of \$324. Kelli will mail in registration form and check.

Irons Park/Fort Austin Patronicity Crowdfunding grant contribution request from the City of West Branch was discussed. Kelli asked to abstain from voting on this issue as she is employed by the City of West Branch. **Motion by Linda Blair to make a contractual contribution of \$1000 to the Irons Park/Fort Austin Patronicity Grant for the City of West Branch. Second by Carol Hanus. Motion voted and carried.**

**BILLS:**

Bills were read in the amount of \$13,478.58 beginning with voucher number #15560 through voucher number #15588 . **Motion by Carol Hanus to pay all bills as read. Second by Aaron Gemmill. Motion voted and carried.**

**Motion by Aaron Gemmill to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm. Second by Carol Hanus. Motion voted and carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelli Collins  
Clerk