

NORMAL TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015
8:15 AM
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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Rich Farr, Supervisor, Randy Schaab, Mel Schultz, Rick Phillips and Ray Ropp

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Arin Rader, Highway Commissioner and Amy Conklin, Township Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT: Rob Cranston, Assessor

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Molly Camper, Senior Center Assistant, Ray Miller, Alan Mc Dowell. Dave Burison, Michael Buragrass and Joseph Lowrance from Farnsworth Group

Randy Schaab moved to accept the minutes of the March 19, 2015 monthly board meeting. Rick Phillips seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Mel Schultz moved for approval of the bills for the month of April 2015, to be paid. The bills for the four accounts with payroll amounts being included in the last three of the accounts are as follows:

GENERAL TOWN: \$251,038.90 (\$241,540.07 to Tarter
Construction)
GENERAL ASSISTANCE: \$8,044.86
SENIOR CITIZEN ACCOUNT: \$13,016.21
ROAD AND BRIDGE ACCOUNT: \$6,637.48

Rick Phillips seconded the motion and the motion carried.

GENERAL ASSISTANCE REPORT by Supervisor Rich Farr: There were 56 appointments with 40 clients compared to February's 60 appointments with 50 clients. Our GA expenditure for 30 GA clients was down to \$7,500.00 and the Emergency Assistance went up to 4 clients at \$1,225.00. February figures were 28 GA for \$7,000.00 and 2 EA for \$750.00. The numbers one year ago were 68 appointments with 49 clients and 38 GA clients at \$9,500.00 and 10 EA clients of \$2,933.92. April's numbers have picked up with some new GA clients and the beginning of utility shutoff notices being sent out.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Rob Cranston not present.

CLERK REPORT: Amy Conklin asked if everyone had filed their disclosure with Kathy Michael. Ray Ropp still needed to file.

ROAD COMMISSIONER REPORT: Arin Rader reported that the roads east of Pipeline Road consisting of Airport, Ziebarth and Northtown, will be Seal Coated by Bennett Construction who received the bid. There will be 4 miles in total to be Seal Coated. Project will begin May 15, 2015. Durapatch will be used to fill holes on road before Bennett begins. Ditch work will also be performed for better water flow.

SENIOR CITIZEN DIRECTOR REPORT: Molly Camper informed the board that they hired 4 new employees to help at the center and driving the bus. (Genie, Ruby, Will and Rich) Mexican Dominoes has been added to activities being offered. An Internet class is being offered along with the two day Smart Driver class which offers a 10% discount on Auto Insurance through State Farm. May 18th there will be an Abstract Painting Class, May 21st a Bus Trip to a Tea Room lunch and May 26th a Folkdance Class.

SUPERVISOR REPORT by Rich Farr: The Annual Treasurer's Report will be due in a couple of months. Streigel, Knoblock and Co. Auditors will be arriving the first week of May. We still no longer require a report using the accruals required by the GASB 34 memo. However, they will have their accruals for compliance purposes.

We will use the money that's in our account before we start using the loan money for the Senior Center construction.

May 14 is the new date for the monthly Board Meeting at 8:15 am. At this time, Rich is the only one attending the May 15 TOI Attorney's Conference.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No comments

OLD BUSINESS: The Farnsworth team went over some changes with the proposals. Tarter reduced #4 by \$300 from the exterior. The gym floor #5 is now \$17,000. #6 includes the exercise room which needs a load bearing wall which is \$3461.00. The Large Mechanical room remained the same in price regarding the change in insulation and drywall. #11 should have a deduction regarding the Mechanical equipment/removal of Helical Piers.

Tarter Construction did not bid for the Helical Piers, where as the other bidders did include them in the cost. The Piers were included in the specifications. There will be 26-29 Piers added for an additional cost of \$49,500.00. Tarter is not making a profit from this addition.

Motion made by Ray Ropp to authorize the increase of \$49,500.00 for Helical Piers at new building. Rick Phillips seconded and the change order was approved.

Tarter Construction paid the Miller Company less since Tarter paid Miller's License/Insurance. The Lien Waiver amount paid is \$26,000.00.

Hoop Millwork drew 50% of their contracted amount even though the products are being made off-site.

Rich Farr asked why the Racquet Ball Court wood flooring is sitting outside without cover. If it ends up being ruined, he suggested that Tarter can pay for new flooring.

Ray Miller asked Farnsworth if there is a rating review for contractors after the project is finished. There is not at this time.

Alan McDowell is concerned about more future cost surprises.

The Senior Citizen Activity and Recreation Center logo was revealed. The Logo sign will be mounted to the right of the Entrance.

Mel Schultz made a motion to approve the ARC logo and the use of it. Ray Ropp seconded the motion and was approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ray Ropp made the motion to publish the annual treasurer's audit report availability and Rick Phillips seconded the motion.

Randy Schaab made motion to adjourn the meeting and Rick Phillips seconded and was approved at 9:39 am.

Clerk

Date