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MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES-APPROVED

Thursday, October 8, 2015 7:30pm –

1. Call to Order: Supervisor Prouty called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
2. Board Roll Call: Supervisor Prouty, Assessor Barrington (excused), Highway Commissioner Kruckenberg (excused), Trustee Bowman, Trustee O'Brien, Trustee Palmblad, Trustee Reck, and Clerk Donnan.
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Supervisor Prouty led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Public Comment: None.
5. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2015: Motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee Reck to approve the meeting minutes of September 9, 2015. Motion passed 5 – 0.
6. Committee Meeting Minutes: Motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee Reck to accept minutes from COW (9/28). Motion passed 5 – 0.
7. Approval of Board Audit from 9/10/15 to 10/06/15: Motion by Trustee Palmblad, seconded by Trustee Bowman to approve the board audit for a total of \$258,308.82. Motion passed 5 – 0. General Town \$177,849.76, General Assistance \$7,349.72, General Road \$9,597.14, Permanent Road \$39,611.69, Park Maintenance \$18,480.51, Cemetery Maintenance \$5,420.00.
8. Monthly Updates from Elected Officials & Department Heads.
 - a. Supervisor Prouty: We are knee deep in LIHEAP applications and they are not all from Ela Township, most are from surrounding Townships. I had to work a general assistance conference in Rockford last week and we were amazed that we had over 60 supervisors and caseworkers still wanting to learn. Trustee Jack Reck turned in his resigned from the Ela Township Board effective October 31st. We will advertise is vacancy at the end of the month. Supervisor Prouty presented Jack with a plaque for his 7 years of service.
 - b. Clerk Donnan: No report.
 - c. Trustee Bowman: Sealing of the parking lot at the township and the football parking area will start on Tuesday. On Monday they will do the Cemeteries. The Community Center will be done next year, there is too much patching and re-doing of the lot for this year. We had some minor plumbing problems at the concession stand hat has been fixed. Trustee Bowman requested that the reports for the Social Worker compare the last year to the present year. I would like this for each month.
 - d. Trustee O'Brien: our postcard went out in September and an e-blast in first week of October. We had a very positive reaction from the people I heard from
 - e. Trustee Palmblad: Apple fest at the Historic Center has been canceled; it was scheduled for October 18th. The president Harold Chisamore and member Ron Franks both passed away.
 - f. Trustee Reck: The Historic had a busy month with the passing of two members and Delores and Julie really needing help. I will be leaving on November 15th for Texas.
 - g. Highway Commissioner Kruckenberg: Excused.

- h. Assessor Barrington: Excused.
- i. Social Worker Fackler: Excused.
- j. Senior Director Dillon: The fish boil was sold out and we had fantastic meal. The Alzheimer's walk is this Saturday (Oct 11th) and we have 32 walkers so far. Many thanks for Gloria's help a the fish boil she worked all night long. We will be closed on Thursday and Friday the 15th and 16th of October for planning for 2016. We will be interviewing all the veterans and will be honoring them on November 13 at NOON until 1:30 pm.
- k. Youth Director Tonigan: Thrive After Three has been running for a little over a month and we added 9 more students to this program. We have 39 s students in the program. Every Monday we are fortunate to Ladel the Comfort Dog. The kids read to the dog, this helps the kids helps the poor readers to improve. On Tuesday we have Power Hour, this is a fitness class run by Kim Piers. Megan Kalafut a LZHS senior is offering a Math/science program for 3rd- 5th grade students. This really helps develop their skills. In October we will have pumpkin painting on District 95 early release day for a Halloween Party.

OLD BUSINESS

- 9. Community Affairs Coordinator – Board to meet to evaluate candidate's applications.

NEW BUSINESS

- 10. Funding Applications: Approved
 - 11. LED Lighting: Motion by Trustee Bowman, seconded by Trustee Reck to approve Bid Proposal from Service Plus Inc. for \$10,101.00 at Town Hall and Knox Part. Bid does not include any permits or fees or any rebates. Motion passed 5 – 0.
 - 12. Red Ribbon Week Proclamation. Motion by Trustee Reck, seconded by Trustee Palmblad to proclaim October 26 – 30 as Red Ribbon Week. Motion passed 5 – 0.
 - 13. Closed Executive Session: Motion by Trustee O'Brien, seconded by Trustee Palmblad to move to executive session at 8:15 pm. Motion passed 5 – 0.
 - 14. Motion by Trustee Reck, seconded by Trustee O'Brien to return from executive session at 8:30 pm. Passed 5 – 0.
 - 15. Adjourn: Motion by Trustee Reck, seconded by Trustee Palmblad to adjourn at 8:32 pm. On voice vote all present voted aye, 5 – 0.
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William L. Donnan, Ela Township Clerk

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Supervisor Lucy A. Prouty

Highway Commissioner Bill Kruckenberg

Assessor John Barrington

Clerk William Donnan

Trustee Larry Bowman

Trustee Lynn O'Brien

Trustee Gloria Palmblad