

The regular monthly meeting of the Higgins Township Board was held, Wednesday, January 7, 2015, at the Higgins Township Hall. Clerk Cheri Sullivan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Members present: Sullivan, Jennette, Curnalia, Peters

Interested persons in attendance: Andy Sosnowski, Mary Lou Jennette, Stephen Morris, Kathy Murphy, Pat Murphy, Lauren Mead, Rita Mead, Earl Deloge, Dan Fishel, Kathy Pardo and Jess Carlson.

Andy Sosnowski of 2781 Sportsman Ct, Bay City Mi 48706, was in attendance about a travel trailer he has on his property and what the zoning ordinance and policy is for trailers. Bill Curnalia will get with Dave Doll about this situation and report to Sosnowski.

Lauren Mead thanked the Board for all the work it does.

Motioned by Sullivan and seconded by Peters that we accept the consent agenda. All ayes. Passed.

Fire Report: Chief Mephram was at a fire so Pardo gave his report (attached).

EMS Report: Pardo went over a few things in her report (attached): ALS possibility by 2017, wages, and lack of employees. Motioned by Peters, seconded by Jennette that Pardo put an ad in the paper to try to fill positions. Also Pardo will look into the cost of adding MFRs.

Doug Parker said the Compost area does not need to be open in December. Now it is open April through December. Also, we will need grinding done in April. Curnalia suggested that we table this until a later meeting.

We will finish our evaluation of Kathy Pardo on Monday, January 12, 2015, at 10:00 am.

The Board discussed the collaboration effort with the Village for the downtown office and decided we were no longer interested. Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Jennette that we discontinue this collaboration. All ayes. Passed. Clerk Sullivan then read a resolution that we dissolve the building committee as pertains to Higgins Township's interest. Motion by Curnalia, seconded by Jennette that we adopt this resolution. Peters, aye; Sullivan, aye; Curnalia, aye; Jennette, aye. No nays, none absent. Approved.

Budget amendments were discussed. Motion by Jennette, seconded by Curnalia that the amendments be approved. All ayes. Passed. Curnalia would like to see a budget report.

Interviews for the position of Supervisor will be conducted on January 12, 2015, at the following times: 11:00 am Stephen Morris; 11:30 am Bill Curnalia; 12:00 pm Earl Deloge; 12:30 pm Ron Alden; 1:00 pm Robert Haertel.

Dan Fishel expressed pleasure on how things with the Board have been going. He announced his position as secretary of the DDA. Higgins Township, after 2014, is no longer a big part of the DDA. We will have to get with Chris Verlac to find out.

Motion by Sullivan, seconded by Jennette that the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 pm. All ayes. Passed.

Cheri Sullivan
Clerk

These minutes are subject to correction and approval at the next regular monthly meeting of the Higgins Township Board on Monday, February, 2, 2015.