

Regular Meeting of the
Board of Trustees of
Ingham Township
02/20/2017

Roll: Present: Trustee Braman, Trustee Harns, Treasurer Speck, Clerk Parsons, Supervisor Elliott

Fire Department Personnel Present: Chief Battige, Assistant Chief Scott Speck, Fire Fighters Justin Kidd and Cory Barrett

Minutes: Braman made the motion, which was seconded by Harns, to approve the February minutes as submitted. All in favor.

Community Statements:

- Sheriff Deputy Kim Hewitt attended the meeting to inform us that a sheriff deputy will be attending our monthly meetings. Deputy Paul Richards will be our representative.
- Connie Stewart thanked the board for installing the fence around the cemetery.
- Kevin Decker from the Decker Insurance agency gave a brief overview of the township's insurance policy. He will be meeting with the fire fighters at a later date.

Fire Department:

- Presented reports
- Considering making officer position changes
- Burned Freer Barn
- Parsons presented a quote to get the floors in the meeting room and fire department stripped and cleaned. The fire fighters did not approve the purchase so it will be put on next month's agenda.
- Requesting \$700 to purchase helmets
Braman made motion which was supported by Harns to purchase helmets.

Roll: Ayes: Braman, Harns, Speck, Parsons, Elliott.

Nays: None

Motion passed

Old Business:

- Parsons received quote to clean floors in meeting room. Election budget will cover a portion of the meeting room cost due to the wear from elections and the Township Hall budget will cover the cost of the restroom. Cost for Election Budget will be \$346.33 and Township Hall Budget will be \$29.62

Braman made the motion which was supported by Harns to approve cost of floor cleaning.

Roll: Ayes: Braman, Harns, Speck, Parsons, Elliott.

Nays: None

Motion passed

Cemetery:

- Committee met before township meeting. Fence was replaced. Long term planning includes memorial to use broken head stones and to transition the committee to a Friends of the Cemetery.

Freer Park:

- Parsons requested a budget of \$2000 to fund the survey materials, mileage for the MSU student doing the survey and for the community meetings that are required to get the DNR grant.

Braman made the motion which was supported by Harns to budget the \$2000 to allow funds to be drawn as needed.

Roll: Ayes: Braman, Harns, Speck, Parsons, Elliott.

Nays: None

Motion passed.

Budget Amendments:

- Fire Department: Harns made the motion which was supported by Braman to make the submitted amendments

Move \$1500 out of Gear

\$1000 to Radio

\$500 to Miscellaneous

Roll: Ayes: Braman, Harns, Speck, Parsons, Elliott.

Nays: None

Motion passed

Payment of Bills:

- Braman made the motion which was supported by Harns to pay the fire department and township bills as submitted

Roll: Ayes: Braman, Harns, Speck, Parsons, Elliott.

Nays: None

Motion passed

Treasurer's Report:

- Speck reported that she closed the Independence Bank credit card used by the fire department. The credit card was not set up to be easily used. Speck is requesting the authority to open a new credit card to be used by the fire department through Dart Bank.

Braman made the motion which was supported by Harns to open a Dart Bank credit card for fire department.

Roll: Ayes: Braman, Harns, Speck, Parsons, Elliott.

Nays: None

Motion passed

- Speck would like to attain her certification from the MMTA. This consist of an annual conference for 3 years. It will train her in financing and investing. \$1000 a year should be budgeted for this.

Braman made the motion which was supported by Harns to cover cost of Speck to attend these conferences to benefit the township.

Roll: Ayes: Braman, Harns, Speck, Parsons, Elliott.

Nays: None

Motion passed

Braman made the motion which was supported by Harns to adjourn. All in favor

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm

Respectfully submitted by

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Marie E Parsons, Clerk

