

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting
Columbia Township Library
Community Meeting Room
January 16, 2017

The supervisor called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Board Members Present: Christine Kolar, Christina Parmenter, Kathy Trischler, Dave DeSimpelare, Dara McGarry

Absent:

Others Present: Briynne McCrea, library director, Nick Sakon, ACW- Unionville Fire Dept. Chief, (8:30-9:30) Todd Rievert, Rievert Snow Removal (8:30-9:00)

Minutes of December 19, 2016 were approved as printed. Ayes: Motion carried.

COMMUNICATION

- Discussion was had regarding the need to review zoning permit fees and determine where adjustments may be needed.

LIBRARY

- Adult computer classes will be starting this week with many classes full.
- A \$100 gift was received from Kip and Barb Walker as a parting gift before their move out of the area in which was used for the purchase of youth graphic novels.
- A grant was written and submitted to the Awesome Foundation of a \$1,000 request for support for a rotating collection of STEM materials to enlarge our STEM program.
- MeLCat year-end stats: 499 items lent, 944 items borrowed.

SNOW REMOVAL

Bids for snow removal were opened for determination.

Motion by DeSimpelare, 2nd by Trischler to accept the bid of Rievert Snow Removal for the library for 2017. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0. Motion carried.

ROADS

Motion by Parmenter, 2nd by Kolar to approve the contract for road brine for the 2017 season of \$10,400. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Contract was signed for repairs to the Ackerman Rd. bridge deck. Repair costs of township portion to be 25%, not to exceed \$2000.

BOARD & COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Board of Review Appointments: Dick Dehmel, Bob Becker, Matt Prime

Planning Commission Appointments: Dave DeSimpelare, Dick Dehmel, Bob Becker, Dave Sting, Jamie Seibel, Rachel Phillips. One open position still remains on the planning commission.

Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Parmenter to approve the Boards and Commissions Appointments and Reappointments as presented for the regular term of each board. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

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ELECTIONS

Kolar reported that the state will be requiring new election equipment purchases for the fall of 2017. It was suggested that townships budget approximately \$3,000 for the expense.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire department bills were presented for approval. Motion by Kolar, 2nd by DeSimpelare to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$10,482.06. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Nick Sakon, ACW- Unionville Fire Chief addressed the board about happenings with the fire department. The fire department has the ability to provide a lock box on resident doors for fire dept. access so that they have the ability to get in when there is an emergency. This is beneficial in scenarios as with the elderly. They are also planning a smoke and carbon monoxide detector distribution for the community with funds from their fundraisers.

Nick stated that air packs and a tanker are larger items that will be needed in the near future for replacement.

AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT

The ambulance service building is now completed and has passed building inspections. There is a special meeting scheduled for January 31st at 4:30 pm to finalize the project.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Monthly bills

Motion by DeSimpelare, second by Kolar to pay the following bills as presented: Payroll \$7,329.94 and Accounts Payable \$19,015.58 plus additional bills of 19,256.31 totaling 38,271.89 Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Kolar, 2nd by DeSimpelare to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 pm.

Christine Kolar, Columbia Twp. Clerk

Next regularly scheduled meeting is February 20, 2017 at 8:30 AM