

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting
Columbia Township Library
Community Meeting Room
December 19, 2016

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 (11:50-12:15), Brian Garner, Taylor, Butterfield, (9:15-11:45) Dennis Marvin, Consumer's Energy (9:25-9:50)

Minutes of November 9, 2016 were approved as printed.

LIBRARY

- Briynne has been doing updates to the library website to more useful to patrons.
- Lego supplies have been ordered and have been enjoyed by the children
- Adult basic skill computer classes to be offered mid-January
- Zinio, the digital platform for magazines, will provide 175 magazines for patrons to access. White Pine to cover \$200 or more for the next 3 years which will be a cost to the library of \$855 for the first year or less if White Pine provides additional funds.
- Discussion was had regarding obtaining a company for snow removal. A company will be sought out to handle snow removal for cleaning the parking area and sidewalks.

WIND

Dennis Marvin informed the board about the DTE windmill that had damage to it in Huron County. He informed the board that it is their policy to contact supervisors of any issues even outside of their own project as was the case in this issue. Consumers is keeping up on the determination of what the issue is since it is a GE turbine as that is the company utilized in the township.

Marvin provided the performance bond for Phase II of the Crosswinds Energy Project. Marvin stated that Barton Malow will be starting construction of the laydown yard this week.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Motion by DeSimpelare, 2nd by McGarry to appoint Kathy Trischler as the township zoning administrator. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR

Motion by Kolar, 2nd by Desimpelare to hire Dara McGarry to perform assessing duties for Columbia Township. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Motion by Kolar 2nd by Trischler to direct the planning commission to begin drafting the zoning ordinance amendments to include solar energy. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire department bills were presented for approval. Motion by DeSimpelare, 2nd by Kolar to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$5,335.36. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The board appoints Dave DeSimpelare to the fire department board as township representative for the open position.

AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT

Motion by DeSimpelare, 2nd by Parmenter to contribute an additional \$10,000 to the ambulance building project. Additional amount to be determined with final bill. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried

The board appoints Christina Parmenter to serve on the ambulance board as township representative for the open position.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Monthly bills

Motion by Trischler, second by DeSimpelare to pay the following bills as presented: Payroll \$7,797.63 and Accounts Payable \$22,152.96 Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Kolar, 2nd by DeSimpelare to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 pm.

Christine Kolar, Columbia Twp. Clerk

Next regularly scheduled meeting is January 16, 2016 at 8:30 AM