

SODUS TOWNSHIP
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TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
Subject to amendment

Tuesday, May 9, 2017 - Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Chandler at 7:30 p.m. All Board members were present.

Minutes of the April 18, 2017 regular meeting were read and approved with one addition on a motion by Peters, supported by Chandler. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was read and approved on a motion by Chandler, supported by Bennett. Motion carried.

Bills presented: General Fund: \$17,811.87 Road Fund: \$0.00 Cemetery: \$2,829.04
Motion made by Peters, supported by Chandler to pay the bills. Motion carried.

Public comment held:

Lt. Steve Campbell of the Berrien County Sheriff's Department presented the March 2017 Incident Report to the Board.

Lynn Sisson, Sodus Twp. Librarian, gave her annual Library Report to the Board.

Ilene Fox gave the annual financial report for the Library.

Mr. and Mrs. Sloane questioned the Board on the Noise Ordinance.

Renda Brown updated the Board on the Parks and Cemetery.

Supervisor Chandler had copies of the annual reports from the Ordinance Officer, Building, Electrical, Mechanical and Plumbing Inspectors for the Board to review.

Motion made by Chandler, supported by Bennett to approve paying the balance due on the Radio Grant through Van Buren Homeland Security when it comes due. The amount the Township will owe should be around \$6200.00 or less. Motion carried.

Motion made by Chandler, supported by Bennett to approve the work by Beaudoin Electric to install a security dusk to dawn light on the north end of the Hall at a cost of \$600.00. Motion carried.

Motion made by Andres, supported by Bennett to approve the bid from Smitty's Heating and Air Conditioning, for a new heating and cooling system for the Township Hall at a cost of \$8,527.00. Motion carried.

Resolution #17-2017 was made by Morgan, supported by Peters to approve the amendments to the stated ordinances (see attached summary) and a legal notice of such changes will be published on May 17th in The Journal Era. Changes will go in to effect thirty days later on June 16, 2017. Roll call: Morgan -yes, Andres-yes, Chandler-yes, Peters-yes, Bennett-yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Chandler, supported by Morgan to add two items to the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Chandler, supported by Morgan to limit the new fire truck bids to Spencer Fire Trucks, new vs demo. Motion carried.

Motion to limit the fire truck bids was rescinded by Chandler and supported by Bennett to make a decision till after the next meeting of the Fire Truck Committee as new information on the bids from two of the companies has been submitted. Next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 11th at 7:00pm. Motion carried.

The American Red Cross Southwest Michigan Chapter has approved the Sodus Fire Department building as a Disaster Shelter site for shelter and services in the event of a disaster. Agreement in attached.

Resolution # 18-2017 to allow Supervisor Chandler to apply for the Michigan Townships Par Plan Grant for a new AED for Fire Department was made by Chandler, supported by Bennett. Roll Call: Chandler-yes, Andres- yes, Morgan-yes, Peters- yes Bennett-yes. Motion carried.

Resolution #19-2017 made by Andres, supported by Chandler to approve applying to the Secretary of State for a grant to purchase new voting system. Roll call: Peters-yes, Bennett-yes, Morgan-yes, Andres-yes, Chandler-yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Andres, supported by Morgan to purchase two new signs for the Mount Pleasant Cemetery. One -3'x4' and one-2'x3'. They will display the rules of the cemetery ordinance on ground maintenance, cleanup dates for flowers, sexton and clerk contact information. The cost of the signs are \$245.00 and \$163.00, respectfully. Motion carried.

Motion made by Chandler to adjourn the meeting and supported by Bennett and so declared by Supervisor Bennett at 9:19 p.m.. Motion carried.

Chandler

Cheryl Andres

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Sodus Township Clerk