

SODUS TOWNSHIP
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TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
Subject to amendment

Tuesday, February 13, 2018 - Regular Meeting

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

Minutes of the January 9, 2018 regular meeting, January 25, 2018 budget meeting, and February 1, 2018 budget meeting were approved on a motion by Chandler, supported by Bennett. Motion carried.

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

Bills presented:

General Fund: \$18,965.11 Road Fund: \$0.00 Cemetery: \$1,433.97 Public Works \$2,001.01

Motion made by Morgan, supported by Chandler to pay the general fund bills. Motion carried.

Public comment held:

Lt. Robert Mazurek of the Berrien County Sheriff's Department presented the December Incident Report to the Board.

Fire Chief Bill Long requested permission of the Board to purchase four sets of turn out gear to replaced worn and outdated sets current firefighters have been using.

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

Motion made by Chandler, supported by Bennett to approve the purchase of four sets of turn out gear for the fire department, a new helmet for Lt. Steinke, and a pair of boots for recruit Dylan Fleenor. The cost of each set of gear, pants and jacket, will be around \$1,773.52. Motion carried.

Motion made by Morgan, supported by Chandler to amend the budget for the 2017-2018 fiscal year as follows: Cemetery Fund: Insurance 209-175-720.000 from \$0.00 to \$2000.00 which is the Cemetery portion of the insurance premium. Motion carried.

Motion made by Andres, supported by Bennett to approve a winter cemetery surcharge of up to \$200.00 for snow removal and plowing if needed for open and closes and excavation of grave. Motion carried.

Motion made by Morgan, supported by Chandler that the Sexton will be paid \$200.00 per open/close, the excavator will be paid \$200.00 till March 31, 2018. Starting April 1, 2018 rates for residential open/close will increase to \$450 and non resident to \$650 of which the Sexton and Excavator will be paid \$225.00 each. Motion carried.

Motion made by Andres, supported by Chandler that effective January 1, 2018 work orders and costs for foundations, will be paid to the Township. The current rate is \$0.40/sq ". A copy of the work order will be forwarded to the sexton to process the order and the Township will then be billed by the Sexton for the cost of the foundation when the job is completed. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bennett, supported by Chandler to approve paying the bills submitted for Cemetery and Public Works funds. Motion carried.

Motion made by Chandler, supported by Bennett to appoint Mike Baldwin as our Water Supply Operator for Sodus Township Water System. Motion carried.

Motion made by Morgan, supported by Chandler to cash out the larger CD for Road Fund to cover costs for Road repairs in 2018-2019, and to roll the smaller CD back into a new CD. Motion carried.

Motion made by Chandler, to adjourn the meeting, supported by Bennett and so declared by Supervisor Chandler at 9:18 p.m.. Motion carried.

Cheryl Andres
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Sodus Township Clerk