

**Forsyth Township Board
Regular Meeting
Gwinn Community Center (Clubhouse)
June 23, 2016**

Supervisor Minelli called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Minelli, Treasurer Roberts, Clerk Nordeen, Trustee Adams and Trustee Bodenus

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: Attorney Kevin Koch, UPEA Representatives Matt Treado and Carr Baldwin, a number of township employees and concerned citizens.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Nordeen, supported by Roberts, to approve the Minutes for June 13, 2016 Special Board Meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

Agenda: Motion by Adams, supported by Nordeen, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Randy Lundholm commented on Banshee Park. Mr. Jackson commented on vacant property water and sewer rates, dogs barking, and trash. Pat Anderegg commented on KI Sawyer Community Center employment positions, contents of the minutes, water measurements, the list of water people mentioned at the last Board Meeting, and Blight conditions. Chuck Truitt commented on Banshee Park. Mike Jakubowski asked when he could speak on the Water and Sewer Project, and if the Board was having a Special Meeting. Don Tickler commented on Banshee Park and scheduling a meeting with the SOA. Marc Olson commented on Banshee Park. Another resident commented on Banshee Park.

Department Reports: The following reports were accepted and placed on file: Ambulance, Assessing/Zoning, Senior Citizens Director, Fire Department, Library, Police Department, KI Sawyer Community Center and General Operating Financial Report. Reports not filed: Public Works and Parks Committee. UPEA Representatives Matt Treado and Carr Baldwin were present to answer any Water/Sewer Project questions.

Attorney's Report: Attorney Koch stated the Beauchamp case is going to pretrial on July 11th. Family Homes has not responded, so he will be entering a Default Judgment. The Dunklee case was heard at pretrial and will be dismissed with prejudice. There are several Tax Tribunal appeals. The Water and Sewer Ordinances were discussed at length between the Attorney, the Board, UPEA Representatives and the Public. UPEA Representative Matt Treado gave the Board information, explaining each document he presented.

Approval of Bills & Vouchers: Motion by Roberts, supported by Nordeen, to approve the bills and vouchers totaling \$65,764.91, as presented. Motion carried.

**Forsyth Township
Bills For Approval
6/23/16**

Vendor	Description	Amount
Airgas	PW Cylinder Rentals	51.12
American Welding & Gas	EMS Gases	231.47
Aramark	Carpet and Uniform Service	1,729.84
Auto Value	Parts for Various Depts	1,103.85
Cannon Financial Services	Office Copier Agreement	135.07
Compudyne	Computer Support for Various Depts	1,372.25
Crossroads Minimart	Fuel	52.68
Crossroads Truck Repair	FD and Garbage Truck Repair	149.20
Elcom Systems	PD Service Agreement	77.00
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Supplies	675.79
Fox Negaunee	Vehicle Parts	7,529.75
Froberg's Clothing	Senior Center - Safety Boots	222.28
Galls	PD Uniforms	105.62
Harris	Checks	459.22
Jerry's Small Engine Supply	Mower Parts	92.54
Joe & Sons Service Center	PW and Cemetery Tire Repairs	54.00
JT Motor Sports	PW Tool	56.75
Karyn Johnson	Street Dance Band	500.00
Kevin Koch PC	Attorney Fees	1,866.50
Kobas Electric	Office Light Repair	142.00
LaDolce Video	FOIA Computer Training & Setup	658.75
Lambert Brothers Truck Service	Truck Parts	419.74
Menards	Supplies for Various Depts	342.58
Miller Canfield Paddock & Stone	Water/Sewer Ordinance Review	885.00
MML Work Comp Fund	Policy Renewal	15,711.00
Nagelkirk	Beautification Supplies	1,576.83
North Country Septic	Portable Restrooms	190.00
Northgate Equipment & Sales	Parts	127.80
Pacific Telemanagement	Pay Phone	50.00
Peter Ghiringhelli	Medical Supplies Reimbursement	11.46
Pomasl Fire Equip	FD & EMS Connectors	104.52
Quill	Supplies for Various Depts	299.13
R&R Fire Truck Repair	FD Parts	182.47
Range Telecommunications	Miss Dig Calls	58.60
Remy Battery	FD/PW/EMS Radio Batteries	461.03
Snyder Drug	Beautification Supplies	41.94

State of Michigan	NMIS & EMS Radio Registrations	1,550.00
Swales Plumbing & Heating	Tourist Park Repair	38.00
The Mining Journal	Publishing & Subscription	495.10
The Office Planning Group	PD Copier Maintenance Agreement	65.09
The Stitch Witch	PD Uniform Repair	6.00
TransUnion	Background Checks	25.00
UP Health System	Ambulance Supplies	351.26
UP Office Equipment	Senior Center Copier	261.00
US Postal Service	Box Renewal	110.00
	TOTAL	40,629.23

**Forsyth Township
Additional Bills For Approval
6/23/16**

Vendor	Description	Amount
Ace Hardware	Various Dept Supplies	1,671.00
Anderson Communications	FD Radio Repairs	2,643.00
City of Marquette	Bacteriological Analysis	80.00
Emergency Medical Products	EMS - Medical Supplies	508.00
Essence of Time	Clock Tower	7,500.00
Fox Negaunee	PD & EMS Repairs and Parts	7,529.75
Holiday Cleaners	PD Uniform Cleaning	178.98
Jane Nordeen	KISCC Reimbursements	28.80
Johnsons Printing	PD Forms	56.00
Joyce Styer	SC Birthday Cake	25.00
Leutz Sign	Transfer Station Signs	145.50
Menards	Supplies for Various Depts	321.66
Neil's Trucking	KISCC & Clubhouse Sand, Soil, Labor	3,420.00
SCI Cleaning	PD Patrol Vehicle Cleaning	140.00
The Office Planning Group	Assessing/Zoning Copier	449.82
White Water Assoc	Water Analysis	360.00
US Postal Service	Senior Center Permit Renewal	78.17
		25,135.68
	Original Bill Listing	40,629.23
	Total Accounts Payable	65,764.91

Voucher Numbers for GO, Police, Clubhouse, Ambulance, Library, Water & Sewer: 71585 - 71818
Voucher Numbers for Tax

ACTION ITEMS:

EMS – Michigan 2 Way Radio Service Invoice (10a.): Motion by Bodenus, supported by Nordeen, to approve paying the invoices from the State of Michigan for the EMS Emergency Management Radios subscriptions totaling \$1,000.00. Motion carried.

EMS – Purchase Computer (10b.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Roberts, to approve purchasing a Dell Tough Book computer for the Ambulance, not to exceed \$4,000.00. Motion carried.

Assessing/Zoning – Appoint Planning Commission Member (10c.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Roberts, to appoint Dan Tregembo, as recommended, to fill the Planning Commission vacancy. Motion carried.

Assessing/Zoning – Moratorium on Enforcement of Campaign & Election Signs (10d.): Motion by Bodenus, supported by Nordeen, to approve the Moratorium on the enforcement of campaign and election signs as specified in the current Zoning Ordinance for a time frame of six months or the passage of the revised Zoning Ordinance, whichever comes first. Motion carried 4-1.

Fire Dept – New Hires (10e.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Bodenus, to approve hiring David Spencer Jr. and Brandon Sorenson as Forsyth Township Firefighters. Motion carried.

Fire Dept – Training Money & Stay Back Pay (10f.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Bodenus, to approve training money for the Fire Department Tournament for \$2,000.00 and Stay Back Pay for \$750.00. Motion carried.

Fire Dept – Pump and DOT Testing (10g.): Motion by Roberts, supported by Nordeen, to approve the Fire Department Pump and DOT Testing, totaling \$8,500.00. Motion carried.

Wood View Estates Street Lighting (10h.): Motion by Roberts, supported by Bodenus, to approve taking over financial responsibility for the street lights listed for \$2,285.64. Motion carried.

PD – Pay Rate (10i.): Chief Warchock explained the reasoning for this request. Motion by Adams, supported by Nordeen, to approve Officer Wonch's pay scale to 2nd year officer, as allowed by the agreement between Forsyth Township and the Police Officer Association. Motion carried.

Water Project Pay Resolution (10j.): Motion by Adams, supported by Roberts, to approve the Water System Improvements Project Pay Resolution for \$303,217.45, as presented. Roll call: Trustee Bodenus – yes, Trustee Adams – yes, Treasurer Roberts – yes, Clerk Nordeen – yes, Supervisor Minelli – yes. Motion carried.

Sewer Project Pay Resolution (10k.): Motion by Roberts, supported by Adams, to approve the Sewer System Improvements Project Pay Resolution for \$247,948.39, as presented. Roll call: Trustee Bodenus

– yes, Trustee Adams – yes, Treasurer Roberts – yes, Clerk Nordeen – yes, Supervisor Minelli – yes.
Motion carried.

Carbon Street Project (10l.): Motion by Nordeen, supported by Roberts, to approve the Water Change Order #W6 for the Carbon Street Water Main Replacement for \$61,510.00, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Nordeen, supported by Adams, to approve paying UP Engineers for Forsyth Township Water Project Engineering Services Agreement Amendment #5 for \$6,615.00, as presented. Motion carried.

Gwinn Launderette Water Rates (10m.): Bobbi Jacobson read the letter she wrote to the Board regarding Water and Sewer Rates for her business. Discussion ensued at length. Motion by Nordeen, supported by Bodenus, to table until Clerk Nordeen checks her notes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

YMCA (11a.): Supervisor Minelli explained the bill owed by the YMCA to Forsyth Township. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Adams, supported by Bodenus, to pursue a lawsuit to recover the funds that were promised to us, at least orally, by the YMCA for employees that we hired under that contract. Discussion ensued. Motion amended by Adams, support amended by Bodenus, to immediately pursue a lawsuit to recover the funds that were promised to us, at least orally, by the YMCA for employees that we hired under that contract and to give notice to the employees currently employed because of the YMCA, five work days' notice of termination. Motion carried.

The Board decided on a Water and Sewer Special Meeting on Tuesday June 28, 2016 in the Clubhouse at 6:00 pm.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

Public Comment: Tunya Lundholm commented on Banshee Park. Mr. Jackson commented on Water Rates. Chief Warchock introduced Greg Zyburt. Greg Zyburt gave a brief introduction. Pat Anderegg commented on the YMCA bill, Attorney Fees, and Ordinances. Chuck Truitt commented on Banshee Park. Geri Kangas commented on the Water Project. Mike Jakubowski commented on UPEA Rate Tables. Steve Harmon commented on Street Lights. Don Tickler commented on Street Lights. Stacy Filizetti commented on Banshee Park. Randy Lundholm commented on Banshee Park.

Board Member Comment: Trustee Adams commented on the Traveling Wall and patience. Clerk Nordeen commented on Banshee Park and the KI Sawyer Community Center.

Adjournment: Supervisor Minelli adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Filizetti
Board Secretary

Jane Nordeen
Forsyth Township Clerk