

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON AUGUST 13, 2015
TOWNSHIP OF FOREST – BEATRICE BANYAS – CLERK**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Price. Board members present were: Supervisor, Mary Ann Price; Clerk, Beatrice Banyas; Treasurer, Linda Smoke; Trustees Mark Martin and Al Sorge.

Motion by Banyas, seconded by Smoke, to accept the agenda for the August 13, 2015 meeting as presented. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Sorge, seconded by Martin, to accept the minutes from the regular meeting held July 09, 2015. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Banyas, to accept the Treasurers reports for general, fire, garbage and Patricia Drive as presented. Roll call vote: Banyas, yes; Sorge, yes; Martin, yes; Smoke, yes: Price, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Banyas, seconded by Smoke, to adopt a resolution to amend the 2015-2016 Fire Budget as follows:

Placed in Income account #206000578 Grant Funds – \$2500; Monies awarded to the Forest Township Fire Department from Trans-Canada Pipeline to be used toward emergency scene lighting.

Placed in Fire Department Grant Purchases account # 206337740 Supplies - \$2500

Roll call vote: Price, yes; Smoke, yes; Sorge, yes; Martin, yes; Banyas, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Smoke, to accept the bills submitted for August, 2015 payment, General Fund - checks numbered 20051 through 20091 Fire Assessment - checks numbered 12595 through 12603 Garbage Assessment - check number 9041. Roll call vote: Smoke, yes; Banyas, yes; Price, yes, Sorge, yes; Martin, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Bob Breckenridge, Forest Township Zoning Administrator, discussed with the Board various items that he has addressed through the last month.

The Forest Township Board of Trustees have been investigating the cost of the Smith Hill Cemetery. The amount receipted in during the 2014-2015 fiscal year was \$24,807.40. The amount paid out for sexton contract and extra upkeep during the 2014-2015 fiscal year was \$38,940.20. That is a difference of negative \$14,132.80.

Motion by Banyas, seconded by Smoke, to adopt a resolution to increase the opening and closing cost in Smith Hill Cemetery to \$500. Roll call vote: Sorge, yes; Martin, yes; Price, yes; Banyas, yes; Smoke, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Forest Township received 2 (two) bids for architectural services for the proposed pavilion to be erected behind the Forest Township Hall. One from NJB Architects INC. for \$1950 and from Sorge's Construction, INC for \$2800. The funding for the architectural services and the building of the Pavilion will be funded through Genesee County Community Development Block Program (CDBG).

Motion by Price, seconded by Martin, to adopt a resolution to accept the \$1950 bid from NJB Architects INC. to for architectural services for the pavilion to be erected behind the Forest Township Hall. Roll call vote: Martin, yes, Smoke, yes; Price, yes; Sorge, abstained; Banyas, yes. Motion carried.

Jason Nordberg & Jacob Mauer from the Genesee County Metro Planning Commission attended the meeting to discuss with the Township Board non-motorized trails within Forest Township. It was the consensus of the Township Board to mail a survey to Forest Township residents asking them for their opinions and/or ideas.

Motion by Price, seconded by Smoke, to set the Fire/garbage assessment hearing date for September 10, 2015 time 7:30 P.M. at the Forest Township Hall. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Sorge, to adopt a resolution to enter into a three year contract with King & King CPAs LLC to provide Forest Township with auditing services for three (3) years \$5600 per year for 2016, 2017 and 2018. Roll call vote: Martin, yes; Sorge, yes; Price, yes; Banyas, yes; Smoke, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Banyas, seconded by Smoke, to not return the deposit for the use of the hall on July 25, 2015 because of broken rules of the rental agreement and to pay the custodian \$100 because of the extra responsibilities of cleaning the hall. Roll call vote: Smoke, yes; Price, yes; Banyas, yes; Sorge, yes Martin, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Motion by Price, seconded by Banyas, to adopt a resolution to adopt a written standard regulating conflicts of interest, real or apparent, for persons having responsibilities or decision making authority related to CDBG activities. Roll call vote: Sorge, yes; Martin, yes; Smoke, yes; Price, yes; Banyas, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Added to the agenda at 8:10 P.M. Letter H. Forest Township concurrence for 2017 Federal Aid Safety Project Application for Wilson Rd at Goudy Lake curve. The total cost of resurfacing and rumble strip installation is projected to be \$500,415. Federal Aid will cover \$360,299, Genesee County Road Commission \$120,099 with Forest Township covering the remaining cost of \$20,017.

Motion by Banyas, seconded by Martin, to adopt a resolution to support the Genesee County Road Commissions application for 2017 Federal Aid funds for the safety project of resurfacing and rumble strip installation for Wilson Rd. at the Goudy Lake curves which will cost Forest Township \$20,017. Roll call vote: Price, yes; Smoke, yes; Martin, yes; Sorge, yes Banyas, yes. All yes, motion carried.

Supervisor Price adjourned the meeting at 8:15 P.M.

Submitted by Beatrice Banyas - Clerk

