

Colfax Township Meeting
March 13, 2013
Colfax Township Hall

Meeting Called to Order at 1900 by Supervisor Evitts, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance: Present: Supervisor Evitts, Trustee Greene, Clerk Mosher, Trustee Besey, Treasurer Draeger. Absent: None.

Agenda: Mosher requests addition to New Business, item D, Wage Assignments, Greene requests addition to New Business, item E, Cemetery.

Public Comment: Mike Fiebing present to discuss Solid Waste/Recycling in the County. Discussion on location of Thompsonville Recycling bins, with input requested from Board regarding potential move to Betsie Valley School site. Much discussion with mixed input on potential change of location.

County Commissioner's Report: Written report provided, Commissioner Kelley discusses several items on report.

Library Report: Written report provided via mail. Bill Hirschfeld reports patron usage down nearly 25% in February, ground to broken on new library construction in April.

Minutes: February 2013 regular meeting minutes: Motion by Greene second by Evitts to approve with correction under Planning and Zoning to state that Zoning Administrator contract has been *drafted* not *in place*. No opposition, motion carries.

Treasurer's Report: Approval of January Treasurer's Report: motion by Mosher to approve as presented, Evitts seconds. No opposition, motion carries. Approval of February's Treasurer's Report: motion by Mosher, second by Greene to approve as presented. No opposition, motion carries.

Campground Report: Campground closed / snowmobile traffic down road to entrance, however road is not open for vehicular traffic.

Clerk's Report: general discussion.

Supervisors Report: general discussion.

Planning and Zoning: Sue Meredith elected Chair, Jack Richter elected Vice Chair, Shelley Greene elected Secretary. Meetings will begin at 6:30pm starting in March.

Unfinished Business:

Blight Ordinance: Website not yet updated, Mosher sent in Word document to Lew in early February. Greene to inquire about this during next routine correspondence with updates for Planning and Zoning.

Discussion on Blight Officer. Besey and Evitts to carry out duties of Blight officer in tandem. If warnings or tickets to be issued or complaints followed up on, both will carry out unless the other is not available and the issue needs to be addressed urgently. Ward Kuhn to send certified letter to Mr. Hewitt, Mosher to send Brian Olson (complainant) letter stating the action started with follow up by Blight Officers per Ordinance.

Contracts: Discussion on contracts for campground manager, mowing hall and mowing cemetery. No action.

Budget hearing: Date and time published.

Budget Review: Items reviewed, nothing requires further adjustment at this time with fiscal year coming to a close. All cost centers in line.

New Business:

Clean-Up date: May date taken, decision to hold on June 15, hours to remain 8A-1p. Confirmation: to publish 3 weeks prior, cards to be sent 2 weeks prior. Evitts to check on second load fee to determine if increase is needed.

Hall Cleaning Schedule: Dec-Jan-Feb: Evitts, Mar-Apr-May: Draeger, Jun-Jul-Aug: Greene, Sep-Oct-Nov: Besey, Dec-Jan-Feb: Mosher.

Pay Bills: Motion by Evitts, 2nd by Greene. No opposition, motion carries.

Wage Assignments: Election Inspector wage: \$11.00/hour, Election Chair: \$12.00 per hour, Board of Review Chair: \$11.00 per hour, Board of Review member: \$10.00 per hour. Deputy Treasurer: \$11.00 per hour, Deputy Clerk: \$11.00 per hour. Mosher motions above, Besey seconds, no opposition, motion carries.

Cemetery: discussion on providing free burial plot for Colfax residents who are veterans. All on Board agree. Discussion on including verbiage to this effect in new Cemetery Ordinance. Discussion on placing a monument in cemetery, perhaps in expansion, honoring all vets.

Correspondence: Mosher reviews Audit Contract. Commit to Tobin and Company. Evitts asks Besey if he would serve as alternate on Natural Rivers Zoning Review Board. Besey concurs.

Extended Public Input: none.

Meeting adjourned at 2130.

Next meeting: Wednesday **April 10, 2013** - 7:00pm