**Casnovia Township Regular Board Meeting for February 12, 2018**

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Meeting called to order at 7 PM by Supervisor Kelli Ashbaugh with the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were Clerk Jennie Powell, Treasurer Gayle Brock, Deputy Treasurer Ruth Ann Bull, Trustees Dan Winell and Jason Jorgensen and Fire Department Chief Dennis Deems. Also attending were Fire Department Captain George Rusco, County Commissioner Gary Foster and Communications Director Lisa Tyler.

Public Comment: Lisa Tyler presented information on the Senior Millage. George Rusco expressed his views on marijuana growth and sales in our township.

Motion to approve Agenda: Motion by Dan, second by Jennie. Passed.

Motion to approve January 9, 2018 minutes of Regular Board meeting: Motion by Dan, second by Jason, passed.

**REPORTS:**

BASD report: Report sent in to be read. Treatment site pump #3 was repaired by Kennedy Industries. MDEQ Annual Flow Report was submitted. All running well.

Commissioner Gary Foster informed us that Brookhaven has finally closed and that all of its residents have been placed elsewhere. He also touched on the wind tower studies again.

Fire Dept. Report: Fire Dept. Chief Dennis Deems provided a list of Fire and EMS calls for the 19 incidents that occurred between 1/9 and 2/12. Spoke about Central Dispatch 9-1-1 going to 800 MHZ so that they can communicate with other counties in the future. Will need a new truck in the next few years. Will need extra $$ for that. Consolidation of the S.O.P. is coming along well and they are getting ready to vote on putting the S.O.P. in operation. Firemen’s appreciation dinner will be March 10 at Ravenna Bowl.

Treasurer Report: Given by Gayle. Motion to accept report by Jennie, second by Dan, passed.

Clerk Report: Check register reports given to the board. Motion by Dan to pay the bills as presented, second by Jason, passed.

Zoning Admin. Report: Presented list of 2017 land divisions/boundary line moves/combinations. Continuing to work with the TWP attorney on Conroy property.

Supervisor Report: I.T. Right wants us to look into getting a better backup system. Township clean-up plans are in the works. Board of Review training went well. The upcoming planning commission meeting has been cancelled and is being replaced with training.

Board Action Items:

1. Motion to place 13 delinquent sewer bills, for a total of $4911.17, on the taxes. Motion by Jason, second by Dan, passed.
2. Motion to approve Budget Time Line by Jennie, second by Jason, passed.
3. March 12th Budget workshop after regular meeting
4. All bills paid by March 19, 2018
5. March 26th Special Budget Public Hearing at 6:30 PM with April Regular Board meeting to immediately follow.
6. Wage Increases – Motion by Dan, second by Jennie, passed.
7. Assessor – Raise $2000
8. Board of Review Alternate - $200 plus $50 if sit on Board of Review
9. Zoning Administrator – Raise $2000
10. Firemen Wages – Raise from $32 to $35
11. Credit Card needed for Township use, Motion by Dan, second by Jason, passed.

Discussion Items:

1. Board comments: Election training for Clerk and Deputy Clerk in February and March. Election scheduled May 8th. Looking at putting a new laptop into the elections budget.
2. Next regular board meeting – March 12, 2018

Motion to adjourn at 8:56 PM – Jennie, second by Dan, passed.

Jennie Powell, Clerk