

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR MEETING  
February 16, 2016      7:00 p.m.**

**Call to Order/Pledge/Roll Call:**

Craig Bradfield called the regular meeting of the Howard Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at Howard Township Business Office. Pledge to the flag was given. Board members Craig Bradfield, Sheri Wozniak, Linda Rudlaff, Mike Daly, David Brawley, Hank Johnson and Ashley Wentz answered roll call. Undersheriff Behnke and County Commissioner Bob Ziliak were also present.

**Approval of Agenda:**

The floor was open to the residents concerning the Agenda. No comments were made. Supervisor Bradfield amended the Agenda to include Item E, appointment of fire captain under New Business. A motion was made by Rudlaff, supported by Brawley to approve the Agenda, carried.

**Minutes:**

A motion was made by Daly, supported by Rudlaff to approve the January 27, 2016 regular meeting minutes as written, carried. A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Rudlaff to approve the February 10, 2016 special meeting minutes as written, carried.

**Financial Report:**

Treasurer Rudlaff read the January 2016 financial report into the record. A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Wozniak to accept the January 2016 monthly financial report as presented with a beginning balance of \$655,717.42 and an ending balance of \$776,909.90, carried.

**Approval of Bills**

A motion was made by Rudlaff, supported by Wentz to approve the monthly bills for payment, carried.

**Departmental Reports**

Chief Leneway reported 7 fire calls and 23 medical calls for January 2016. A motion was made by Rudlaff, supported by Wozniak to appoint Ethan Mokwa to the fire department, carried. Undersheriff Behnke submitted a crime trend report to the board for the last three years. Mr. Behnke also reported that the deer/car crashes are also on the rise. Animal Control Rabies Clinic is Saturday, March 20, 2016, 9 am-1pm. Trustee Wentz stated the SMCAS Director would have accurate numbers next month from the billing switch. Also, January and February annual membership renewals were not sent out. Those renewals have been sent and the members get an extra 30 days to renew their memberships. Treasurer Rudlaff reported that new handicap signs have been received and will be placed at Pepper Martin and due to the Presidential Primary on March 8, the next Park Board Meeting will be March 14 at 7 pm. A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Rudlaff to approve the monthly reports, carried.

**Information**

None.

**Old Business**

A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Daly to hire Cyndee Crawford as the general cleaning person for the Township, carried.

**New Business**

A motion was made by Daly, supported by Wozniak to set the 2016-2017 Budget Public Hearing for March 15 at 6:45 pm, carried. A motion was made by Rudlaff, supported by Wentz to approve the lot partition application for Parcel #14-020-360-044-01 and 14-020-360-046-00, carried. A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Rudlaff to approve the land division application for Parcel #14-020-020-063-00, carried. A motion was made by Daly, supported by Wozniak to amend the 2015-2016 Holiday Schedule to include March 25, 2016 for Good Friday, carried.

**Correspondence**

None

**Other Business from the Board**

None

**Public Comment**

Commissioner Ziliak stated the County is still working on filling the Administrator's position. Trustee Johnson stated he would like the County to consider guard rails on Hoyt. Treasurer Rudlaff informed everyone that the dust control contractor will not be doing dust control for Howard Township. We are in need of a new contractor if the Township is to continue dust control.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Rudlaff to adjourn at 7:31 p.m., carried.

Sheri Wozniak  
Howard Township Clerk