

Clifford Township Supervisors Meeting January 6, 2014

Business meeting held on Monday January 6, 2014. Chairman Dennis Knowlton called the meeting to order at 7:24 pm. Motion to approve the minutes by Mr. Knowlton, second by Mr. Searle. All in favor. Treasurer's report reviewed and will be put on file. List of bills reviewed. Mr. Marcho made a motion to pay bills, seconded by Mr. Searle. All in favor.

Old Business: Mr. Searle made a motion to except the Clifford Fire C. Resolution No. 2014-1 recognizing Station 18 as the official Fire Co. providing fire protection and related services to the township of Clifford and authorizing activates of the Fire defining public firefighter's duties. Second by Mr. Knowlton. All in favor.

Mr. McGraw informed the supervisors of problems with the advertising of the comprehensive plan hearing and advised that the township re advertise and have a second hearing in February before approving in March. Mr. McGraw will write legal notice.

Old Business: Mr. McGraw informed the supervisors that because the Dept. of labor and industry do not consider volunteer fireman as full time employees there is 0% chance they will have to provide health care to them. Mr. Searle asked Mr. Turner to give the township an idea of how many people in the fire co this would affect just in case this law is up held. Mr. Turner said there is a lot of questions to figure what hours are used to calculate total hours and he believes most if not all have their own health insurance therefor he does not see any problems at this time if the law was up held. Mr. McGraw believes the health insurance was the fire department problem, the township only supports the fire co.

New Business: Tom Yadlosky thanked Mr. Searle and Mr. Marcho for the help with getting Mt. Laurel Drive plowed. The Township does not own the road nor do they want to take it over and if they continue to plow the road it would only be as a courtesy. Mr. Seale asked that a letter be sent to Mr. Cosklo to find out who is responsible for the road, either the residents or Mr. Cosklo. A letter will also be sent to the residents to let them know that the road will be plowed only as a courtesy until this matter can be settled.

Road Report: Mr. Marcho reports that things are running a lot smoother and would like to look into getting a compact tractor. The tractor would be very useful with all the improvement the township is doing with the recreation area. Mr. Marcho explained that the township has some old equipment to sell to help pay for the new tractor.

Tax Collector: Mr. Phillips reported \$1190.00 in unpaid taxes for 2013, about 5% which is about normal for our township.

Planning Commission: Mr. Clementoni recommends that the board approve two subdivision, Larry Wilson and Charlie Horton. Mr. Marcho made a motion to approve the subdivisions for the Wilson and Horton property. Seconded by Mr. Knowlton. All in favor.

Fire Co.: Mr. Turner reported that for the month of December the fire department responded to 50 calls, 24 fire and 26 medical. In 2012 the department brock over 500 calls for the year for the first time and for the 2013 the department responded to 617. 286 fire, 328 medical and 3 qrs. The reason for the increase was due to low staffing resulting in more request from other fire dept. asking for help. They averaged over 50 calls a month with 66 calls in March, there highest month. Mr. Searle would like to feature the Fire Dept. on the township web page.

Advisory Committee: Mrs. Roberts announced that the first meeting for 2014 will be January 22, 2014. The committee will be working on the community building renovation and to make up a hand book to inform people on how they could use the building. Look in to wall coverings for all the new wall in the building and putting in bulletin board for each end of the hall. The big project is to help revitalize the playground. Mr. Searle inquired how the property purchase was coming along. Title search was in progress and the property need to be assessed.

Mr. Searle would like to go to the county, state and federal agencies to see if we could have someone to rent a room in the building.