

Helga Township
Annual Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2015

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Called to Order: The clerk opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

Pledge of allegiance was recited

Moderator:

Sue Adkins-clerk, asked for nominations for moderator

Motion made by Jim Lyle to nominate David Horn, **Second** by Jeanie Porter

Sue Adkins-Clerk asked for all in favor, **motion carried**

David came to the front to moderate the meeting. David took a moment to thank the board for their work.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Agenda:

David Horn read the agenda

Motion made by Doug Miller to approve, **Second** by Scott Kurtzweg, **Motion carried**

Minutes of March 11, 2014 Annual Meeting

Annual meeting minutes were read by Sue Adkins-Clerk

Motion made by Jeff Schussman to accept the 3/11/14 annual meeting minutes, **Second** by Joanna Olson

Hammerstrom, **Approved**

Treasurer's Report

Jeanie Porter, read the statement of the accounts as of 2-24-2015, Total assets of 464,396.43; David asked for comments-none.

It was noted that our current financial institution is TruStar Federal Credit Union. Scott Kurtzweg, commented that the township received, \$982.50 in dividend this last year.

Motion made by Joanna Olson Hammerstrom to accept the Treasurer's Report, **Second** by Don Clay, **approved**

Roads:

Don Clay, road supervisor reported that Platt has only had to plow twice this year and salt & sand has been applied three times. There are a few trees on 496th St and some limbs in Vinewood drive to take care of this year. Graveling will be decided when the annual road tour is done but it is planned to gravel half the township this year. It was noted that Bob Platt does our grading and he is a resident. Calcium chloride is only applied if a resident wants and pays for it. David asked for any comments or concerns.

Motion made by Doug Miller to accept the Road Report, **Second** by Jeff Schussman, **Approved**

Official Postings:

It was noted that our current posting places are the Town Hall, Posting board at the corner of Fugates Auto (old store), and the website and are still working out. For official publications the paper is the Buyline and that has been working well. No complaints.

PROPOSED BUDGET AND LEVY 2015:

David Horn read the budget and levy and asked for discussion.

2016 PROPOSED BUDGET

GENERAL FUND	88,000
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	130,000
FIRE FUND	34,000
CEMETERY FUND	2,000
TOWNHALL FUND	<u>25,000</u>
TOTAL BUDGET	279,000

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2016 PROPOSED LEVY

GENERAL FUND	83,000
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	120,000
FIRE FUND	34,000
CEMETERY FUND	2,000
TOWNHALL FUND	<u>25,000</u>
TOTAL BUDGET	264,000

Motion made by Jeff Schussman to approve the 2016 Budget and Levy, **Second** by Doug Miller, **Motion Carried**

DONATIONS:

The list of donation requests were reviewed. It was brought up that we donated to the North Country First Responders last year. Al Killian was in the audience and gave a report on what the Let's Go Fishing organization does. A copy of the criteria of donation laws was available, as to who the township can donate to.

Motion made by Don Clay to donate \$250 to the Let's Go Fishing Org., **Second** by Dale Berglund, **Motion Carried**

Motion made by Joanna Olson Hammerstrom to donate \$500 to the North Country First Responders again, **Second** by Jim Lyle, **Motion Carried**

Motion made by Jeff Schussman that we strike the rest of the donation requests, **Second** by Jeanie Porter, **Motion Carried**

2016 ANNUAL MEETING

Motion made by Jeff Schussman to hold the 2016 Annual Meeting on Tuesday, March 8th, 2016 at 7:00 pm, **Second** by Don Clay, **Motion Carried**

Upcoming Meetings:

Next Regular Board meeting 3/24/14; 7:00
Regular Board meeting 4/28/14; 7:00
Local Board of Equalization 4/29/14; 9:30 AM (Wed)

OTHER BUSINESS:

Don Clay commented on past litigation, noting that Restore House is done, they are beyond the time to appeal. Crosby can still appeal to the US Supreme court yet, with limited chances of them hearing the appeal.

Jeff Schussman, Land Use Admin, stated that there is hope to work on the ordinance soon and anyone with comments should make the meetings.

Wayne Hoff, spoke of the Nary School Inc. nonprofit that has been started. It is planned for Nary School Inc. to lease the school. Architects are currently working on a Historical Structure Report for recommendations on historical school updates. The architects are looking for comments or questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Jeff Schussman, to adjourn, **Seconded** by Jim Lyle, **Motion Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Susan Adkins, Township Clerk

Moderator