

Helga Township  
Regular Meeting of Township Board of Supervisors  
Minutes of  
February 25, 2014

**PRESENT:** Don Clay-Chairman, Supervisors; Jeff Schussman, Dale Berglund, Mark Lawyer, Treasurer-Jeanie Porter, Clerk-Sue Adkins

Meeting called to order, 7:05 pm, Pledge of Allegiance recited

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Reviewed minutes of January 28, 2014 regular Meeting and February 3, 2014 Ordinance Meeting, February 11, Audit Meeting. Change needs to be made to the February 3 minutes to change Review of the Ordinance to Discussion of the Ordinance.

**Motion** made by Don Clay to approve all three minutes with the one change to the February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, **Second** by Jeff Schussman, **Approved**

**CLAIMS LIST FOR APPROVAL/NET PAYROLL LIST**

Reviewed; **Motion** made by Don Clay to approve the Helga Township claims list, **Second** by Mark Lawyer, **Approved**

**Treasurer's Report:**

Jeanie Porter, gave the report. **Motion** made by Don Clay to approve the treasurer's report, **Second** by Mark Lawyer, **Approved**

**Road Update:**

Don Clay reported that the ditches are full. One complaint on Donat's road that it is rough (229<sup>th</sup>).

**Land Use Report:**

Jeff Schussman reported that is has been quiet. He noted that the board had approved him to contact Troy Gilcrist and him and Don Clay will tentatively meet with him on March 21<sup>st</sup> regarding making changes. Items they will bring to him; commercial zones will be looked at to see if we need them, items in there that are already regulated by either the state or county and our setbacks do not match county setbacks. Discussion on how Feed Lots are already regulated by other entities and there are new bills coming up in the legislature to change things and there seems to be a lot of battles regarding feedlots.

**Town hall:**

Wayne Hoff, reported that the downstairs is close to being done with what he can do. Thing done include ballasts, painting, signs, and motion switches in the bathrooms. There have been a lot of rentals and inquiries coming in. He has also donated a clock and some rec equipment. There is talk of fund raisers in the future. Cameras for the security system were mentioned. There was also discussion on insulating the attic to save heating costs. Wane was asked to get some quotes for 3500 sq' with 12" of insulation. It was mentioned that there is a cut off to use the pre-buy so we should make sure we fill up by then.

**Planning & Zoning:**

Brian Hughes, from the committee was in the audience. He commented on the audio of January 7<sup>th</sup>. Items discussed included; no direction or feedback from the town board on ordinance change recommendations that they have turned in, not enough members and that the board appoints the members and has caused the turnover, problems with CUPs and their process. Jeff mentioned the meeting with Troy Gilcrist that was coming up and that we need to move forward.

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**Brian Hughes**, then **resigned** from the Planning and Zoning Committee and turned in his key.

*There was much Discussion on the Ordinance;*

It was noted that there needs to be multiple changes and Troy Gilcrist will be able to give advice. Brian mentioned that Troy wrote the current ordinance and put those items in there. It was also mentioned that last year's annual meeting talked about putting the ordinance on the ballot but was tabled at that time. The current and future role of the Planning Commission was also discussed. It was mentioned that more Planning and Zoning members are needed. If we have an IUP or CUP we will not have enough people. CUP, previous issues and moving forward was discussed. David Horn, was in the audience and mentioned that he may consider being on the planning commission in the interim. It was asked if there was other interest.

**Motion** made by Don Clay to appoint David Horn to the Planning Commission for a term of three months, **Second** by Mark Lawyer. David Horn was then sworn in by the clerk.

Dale Berglund, thanked Brian Hughes for the time he has put in with the Planning Commission.

**Cemetery Road:**

Still ongoing. An affidavit was signed by Don Clay, chair and Sue Adkins, clerk, to have the court case reopened and that was sent back so hopefully will be done soon.

**Insurance Schedule:**

Discussion on the current values. Sue Adkins, will contact MAT to ask for a new review in the next couple months.

**Postage:**

The clerk asked for \$98 for 10 books Forever stamps.

**Motion** made by Don Clay to approve \$98 for postage stamps, **Second** by Jeff Schussman, **approved**.

**Hubbard County NRM:**

There is a request for the board to sign off on a reclassification on a tax forfeit parcel. Reviewed

**Motion** made by Don Clay to sign and approve the reclassification of the tax forfeit parcel, **Second** by Mark Lawyer, **approved and signed**.

**Motion** to adjourn made by Don Clay, **Seconded** by Jeff Schussman, **motion carried**. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Susan Adkins, Clerk

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Donald Clay, Chairman