January 2019

The New Haven Township Board met on January 14, 2019 at the New Haven Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Supervisor Hill with the pledge to the flag.

A roll call was taken. Members present: Supervisor Hill, Clerk Farr, Treasurer Eickholt, Trustee LeCureux, Trustee Foster.

Guests: Dan Winters, Shiawassee County Road Commission: Brent Friess, Troy Howes, Ric Crawford, Mike Constine, John Michalec.

Motion by Trustee Foster, supported by Trustee LeCureux to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Trustee Foster, supported by Trustee LeCureux to approve minutes from the December 10, 2018 regular meeting. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Eickholt presented the Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2018. General Fund \$250,812.88, Two Mil Road Account \$19,528.60, Township Investment CD \$116,322.62, 12 Month CD \$50,755.49, Perpetual Care Account \$38,096.29, Fire Account \$289.93, Ambulance Account \$166.74, Tax Checking Account \$266,378.96, Cetera 12-month CD \$75,000.00 for a total of \$817,351.51.

Motion by Trustee LeCureux, supported by Supervisor Hill to approve Treasurer's Report as presented. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Call to Public: None.

Old Business: Discussion regarding the marijuana ordinance meeting date. It was determined the Board will discuss and vote on said ordinance at the next regular meeting in February. Notice will be published.

Treasurer Eickholt noted she is still collecting Winter taxes.

New Business:

The New Haven Township Poverty Exemption Guidelines were read in their entirety by Clerk Farr.

Motion by Treasurer Eickholt, supported by Trustee Foster to approve Resolution #2019-001 New Haven Township Poverty Exemption Guidelines as presented. A roll call was taken. It was unanimously approved. Motion Carried. Resolution adopted. Supervisor Hill and Clerk Farr completed the signature page.

Discussion about the Owosso Township Fire Contract. A new copy was received for approval in December 2018, but the change that was requested by the New Haven Township Board in July of 2018 was not made; addition of the word "REAL" in front of property in line item #5. Contract was not signed and will again be sent back for changes.

The budget work session date will be set at the next regular board meeting.

Clerk Farr brought a request to the board from Sexton McAllister. An inquiry was made requesting information and approval to place a "boulder" on a gravesite in lieu of a headstone. It was noted that such a request would still require a foundation be in place, if approved. After discussion, the board has opted to not allow such a request at this time. Further information and size requirements would have to be determined and discussed with the sexton if it were to be considered.

Clerk Farr distributed new brochures received from the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development regarding transferring, splitting and releasing farmland agreements and the enrollment, eligibility and benefits of farmland agreements.

Treasurer Eickholt asked for potholes in the driveway to the township hall be filled and repaired.

Treasurer Eickholt noted the price for postage was set to increase and it was agreed the township would purchase several rolls of Forever stamps to offset the increase.

Trustee Foster inquired if any more information had been received regarding the fall at the township. None at this time.

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Call to Public: None.

Payment of Bills:

Motion by Treasurer Eickholt, supported by Trustee LeCureux to approve payment to Shiawassee County Equalization in the amount of \$1,318.80 for preparation and mailing of Winter Tax Bills. A roll call was taken. It was unanimously approved. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Eickholt inquired at the Equalization Office if tax bills that were 0.00 could be eliminated from being mailed. It was an error on their part those were sent out and it has since been corrected.

Motion by Trustee Foster, supported by Trustee LeCureux to approve payment to Dol-Jac in the amount of \$425.96 for propane at the Hall. A roll call was taken. It was unanimously approved. Motion Carried.

Motion by Trustee Foster, supported by Treasurer Eickholt to approve payment to Clerk Farr in the amount of \$39.19 for food, drink and tableware for the January 2019 Michigan Township Association Meeting. A roll call was taken. It was unanimously approved. Motion Carried.

Brent Friess of the Shiawassee County Road Commission outlined proposed projects for gravel, paving and brine application for 2019. SCRC is asking for commitment to projects by April or May to provide for scheduling.

The next regular board meeting will be February 11, 2019 at 7:00pm.

Motion by Treasurer Eickholt, supported by Trustee Foster to adjourn at 8:05pm. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Farr, New Haven Township Clerk