

**Forsyth Township Board
Regular Meeting
Gwinn Community Center
May 16, 2019**

Supervisor Boogren called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Boogren, Clerk Borrett, Treasurer Roberts, Trustee Adams and Trustee Armatti

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: Attorney Ted Greeley, a number of township employees and concerned citizens.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Roberts, supported by Adams, to approve the Minutes from the April 25, 2019 Regular Board Meeting and the May 1, 2019 and May 3 2019 Special Board Meetings, as presented. Motion carried.

Agenda: Motion by Boogren, supported by Borrett, to approve the agenda with the additions of 10h. Water Meter Reading Software, 10i. PD – Purchase Radar, 10j. Ballfield Scoreboard, 10k. Launch Support, and 11d. Assessors Plat. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Attorney Molly Ombrello commented on a land dispute issue. Bob Davis commented on a land dispute issue.

Department Reports: The following reports were placed on file: EMS, Assessing/Zoning, Senior Citizens Director, Fire, Library, Police, Public Works and General Operating Financial

Attorney’s Report: Attorney Greely commented on information just received regarding a land dispute issue and the effects of creating an Assessors Plat. More information is needed prior to the Board making a decision.

Approval of Bills & Vouchers: Motion by Roberts, supported by Armatti, to approve the bills and vouchers totaling \$97,216.41, as presented. Motion carried.

**Forsyth Township
Bills For Approval
4/25/19**

Vendor	Description	Amount
Airgas	PW/FD Cylinder Rental and Gases	471.45
Adventure Centre	PD Snowmobile Maintenance	753.99
Anytime Fitness	PD Memberships	2,500.00
Casselman & Henderson	Attorney Fees	3,249.00
College Laundry	Various Dept Carpet/Uniform Svc	439.89

Compudyne	Computer Support for Various Depts	825.00
Creative Product Sourcing	PD Recognition Bar	20.00
Crossroads Minimart	PD Fuel	41.81
Crossroads Truck Repair	PW Truck Repair	44.00
Dalco	Various Dept Supplies	224.09
Elcom	PD Patrol Vehicle Repairs & Set UP	7,447.55
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Medical Supplies	5.59
Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC	Attorney Fees	4,403.50
Fox Marquette	PD Patrol Vehicle Repairs	30.44
Fox Negaunee	PW Truck Repair	38.00
Fraco	Cemetery Repairs	414.39
Galls	PD Uniforms	31.56
Lynn Rodgers	Reimbursement Ballfield Supplies	43.88
Menards	Supplies for Various Depts	426.49
MML	Work Comp Renewal	21,766.00
MTA	P&Z Books	153.50
MMTA	Treasurer Training	198.00
MWEA	PW Training	60.00
Motorola	PD Radios	14,501.90
Nye Uniform	PD Uniforms	279.00
Purchase Power	Postage	520.99
Quill	Supplies for Various Depts	898.80
Range Telecommunications	Miss Dig	63.26
Remy Battery	Various Dept Batteries	661.05
Signs Unlimited	PD Graphic for Patrol Vehicle	150.00
Snyder Drug	Various Dept Supplies	256.06
Stacy Filizetti	Reimbursement Notary Fee	10.00
State of Michigan	Notary Renewal	10.00
Swales Plumbing & Heating	CH Ramp Repair	1,675.00
The Mining Journal	Publishing	458.76
TransUnion	PD Background Checks	50.00
Wells Fargo	Office Supplies	280.83
	TOTAL	63,403.78

**Forsyth Township
Additional Bills For Approval
4/25/19**

Vendor	Description	Amount
Ace	Various Dept Supplies	793.69
Airgas	PW Gases	169.43
Auto Value	Various Dept Supplies	1,139.14
College Laundry & Rental	Carpet & Uniform Service	43.25
Compudyne	Computer Equip and Support	8,908.22
Emergency Medical Products	EMS Medical Supplies	925.26
Emsar	EMS Medical Supplies	43.00
Larry Carlsen	PW Wood Chipper	8,500.00
LoyalTees	PD Uniforms	30.74
Meadowbrook Insurance	FD Liquor Bond	50.00
Menards	Various Dept Supplies	423.68
Midway Rentals	PW Shop Supplies	237.59
	PW Brush Removal at Transfer Station	4,000.00
Neil's Trucking		4,000.00
OK Industrial Supply	PW Fasteners	52.00
Petty Cash	Tourist Park	100.00
Pomps Tire	PD Tires	757.60
Road Machinery & Supplies	PW Parts	270.73
Shell Fleet	Various Dept Fuel	2,915.88
Signs Unlimited	PD Table Print	255.00
State of Michigan	PD Radio Activation	1,250.00
Swales Plumbing	FD Sawyer Heat Repair	1,077.79
The Office Planning Group	A/Z Copier	223.91
UPEA	CH Engineering for Boiler	1,437.20
VFW	Flags for Cemetery	208.52
		33,812.63
	Original Bill Listing	63,403.78
	Total Accounts Payable	97,216.41

Voucher Numbers for GO, Police, Clubhouse, Ambulance, Library, Water & Sewer: 79138-79332

Voucher Numbers for Tax

ACTION ITEMS:

Clerk Mileage (10a.): Motion by Boogren, supported by Armatti, to approve the Clerk submitting reimbursement for mileage during Election Days. Discussion ensued. Treasurer Roberts questioned the ramifications this would cause for other departments. Supervisor Boogren suggested researching the topic for next month's meeting. Motion rescinded by Boogren, support rescinded by Armatti.

FD – Street Dance Band (10b.): Motion by Borrett, supported by Adams, to approve \$500 for the 3rd of July Street Dance Band. Motion carried.

PD – Gym Membership (10c.): Motion by Adams, supported by Roberts, to approve providing the Forsyth Township Police Department with gym memberships to Anytime Fitness. Motion carried.

Girl Scout – Park Improvements (10d.): Motion by Borrett, supported by Adams, to approve the Project "Revitalize Banshee Park" proposal as presented by Girl Scout Cadette Troop #5094. Cadette Laci Loomis was present to answer any questions. Supervisor Boogren stated Public Works may have some supplies needed for repairs included in the proposal. Trustee Adams suggested providing some funding for the project. Motion amended by Boogren, support amended by Adams, to approve the Project "Revitalize Banshee Park" proposal as presented by Girl Scout Cadette Troop #5094 with funding up to \$200. Motion carried.

EMS – Critical Care Extension (10e.): Motion by Roberts, supported by Adams, to approve extending the EMS Critical Care Extension, Monday through Friday only, through July 31st. Treasurer Roberts explained the need for the extension. Motion carried.

EMS – AED Lifepak (10f.): Motion by Boogren, supported Adams, to approve EMS purchasing an AED Lifepak 15 for \$27,943.18. Trustee Adams clarified it would be funded by the equipment millage. Motion carried.

Fireworks Committee (10g.): Motion by Adams, supported by Borrett, to approve creating a Fireworks Committee consisting of Fire Chief Jason Stansky, Lynn Rodgers, Michael Jakubowski Jr., Larry Hammond, Peter Ghiringhelli and Joe Barrett. Supervisor Boogren stated the Fire Fighters went to training and are now certified to perform fireworks displays. Trustee Adams suggested connecting with the Ice Track Association to coordinate tree removal. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams, supported by Borrett, to authorize the Fireworks Committee to spend any money donated specifically for fireworks on fireworks and any related supplies or equipment and approve purchasing Fireworks Liability Insurance for \$750 for a \$1,000,000 limit. Motion carried.

Water Meter Reading Software (10h.): Motion by Roberts, supported by Adams, to approve the water meter reading software proposal from Core & Main for an annual cost of \$2,400 for Sensus Software Support. Motion carried.

PD – Purchase Radar (10i.): Motion by Borrett, supported by Armatti, to approve purchasing radar for a Police Department patrol vehicle, not to exceed \$3,000. Supervisor Boogren clarified it was for the new patrol vehicle. Motion carried.

Ballfield Scoreboard (10j.): Motion by Borrett, supported by Adams, to approve the Honor Credit Union donation of \$1,500 toward an Electronic Scoreboard at the Ballfield Complex and fund the remaining cost, not to exceed \$2,000. Superintendent of Public Works Eric Jancsi will check to see if there is a mobile option. Motion carried.

Launch Support (10k.): Motion by Boogren, supported by Borrett, to approve a letter in support of the MI Launch Initiative at the Sawyer International Airport. Supervisor Boogren summarized a presentation he attended this week regarding the topic. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Fiscal Year Ordinance (11a.): Treasurer Roberts stated the current ordinance needs updates. Supervisor Boogren and Attorney Greely will work on updating.

Herbicide Ordinance (11b.): Trustee Adams stated he was hesitant in keeping and enforcing the current ordinance. Attorney Greely will look into appealing.

Liability Insurance for Clubs/Organizations (11c.): Supervisor Boogren gave a summary of an email Attorney Fahey offered regarding Liability Insurance for groups using Township facilities on a regular basis. Trustee Adams stated this issue was discussed years ago. Trustee Adams and Supervisor Boogren will research the type of endorsement needed and the cost.

Assessors Plat (11d.): Trustee Adams recommended taking Councils suggestion to look at land, surveys and deeds to see if an Assessors Plat is applicable for the land disputes at Johnson Lake. Supervisor Boogren will get with Assessor Lykins to assess the need. Attorney Greely will look into legal aspects.

OLD BUSINESS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

Public Comment: Surveyor Dave St. Arnaud commented on a land dispute issue. Attorney Ombrello commented on a land dispute issue.

Board Comment: Trustee Adams asked the status of the Solar Project. Supervisor Boogren stated UPPCO had picked a different project located in Delta County. He will be in touch with Mr. Vander Veen for the status of any upcoming projects.

Adjournment: Supervisor Boogren adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Filizetti
Board Secretary

Michelle Borrett
Forsyth Township Clerk