

VERNON TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MEETING HELD July 5, 2016

TOWNSHIP OF VERNON, COUNTY OF ISABELLA

LOREN COLE, CLERK

- A. The Regular Meeting of the Vernon Township Board was held on July 5, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Jeff Bean (Supervisor), Loren Cole (Clerk), Jacob McConnell (Trustee) and Julie Cole (Deputy Clerk). Members absent: Stephanie Allen (Treasurer) and Mike Turner (Trustee).
- B. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by J. Bean who led the Pledge to the Flag.
- C. L. Cole made the motion to approve the agenda for this month and the minutes from last month. Motion seconded by J. McConnell. Motion passed.
- D. Visitors present: None.
- E. Supervisor's Report:
1. Property Tax:
 - a. Dan & Cheryl Haring Land Division, Section 24.
 - b. Thorpe & McGuire Lot line adjustment; Lapham is surveying.
 2. Solid Waste:
 - a. Trash Contract expires 12-31-16.
 - b. Will go out for bids.
 3. Township Assets:
 - a. Cemetery: Received NO DUMPING signs
 4. Roads: Drainage work with grader is done for:
 - a. Battle, Lincoln to Meridian
 - b. Isabella, Vernon to Coleman.
 5. Other: Elections:
 - a. Need to appoint inspectors at July meeting.
- F. Clerk's Report:
1. Budget: see packet.
 2. Election Issues: Accuracy Testing is July 22, 2016 at 2 and 2:45 p.m.
 3. Miscellaneous: Notices of public hearing for Zoning Board and Planning commission.
- G. Treasurer's Report
1. Financial Report as of: June 30, 2016

a. General Fund Checking.....	\$127,439.37
b. Waste Management.....	\$ 72,059.22
c. Vernon City Highway Lighting.....	\$ 2,805.52
d. Vernon Twp Perpetual Care Savings.....	\$ 42,330.88
e. Vernon Twp Cemetery CD -----	\$ N/A
f. Super High Yield Acct -----	\$ 76,374.37
 2. Funds Received for the month of June 2016

a. State of MI Revenue Sharing.....	\$ 15,849.00
b. Chemical Bank: interest.....	\$ 0

3. Review and Pay Bills: Motion made by J. McConnell to pay bills for a total of \$28,821.41. Motion seconded by L. Cole. Motion passed.

H. Trustees' Reports

1. Jack McConnell-Reported that the INEFD purchased new jaws.
2. Mike Turner-Absent.

I. Old Business:

No Old Business.

J. New Business:

1. Consideration of 2016 Roadway Project.

- a. McFarlane Road, 23-A @ 3" gravel: \$29,232.64 Est -\$12,500 (coupon) = \$16,732.64. The estimate contains 10% contingency fee.
- b. Further drainage work on North County Line road, from Crawford to Meridian.

Motion to enter into this contract with the Isabella County Road Commission was made by L. Cole and seconded by J. McConnell. Motion passed.

2. Review Bids for Bi-Annual Audit. L. Cole made the motion to table this until next month. J. McConnell seconded motion. Motion passed.
3. Appoint Vernon Township Resident for the rotating Library Board Position. L. Cole made the motion to table this until next month. J. McConnell seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- K. Adjournment. L. Cole made the motion to adjourn. J. McConnell seconded the motion. Motion passed. This meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Julie Cole, Deputy Clerk

VERNON TOWNSHIP PROJECT LIST 2016-2017

The following items have not been prioritized:

1. Township Hall:
 - a. Extend Parking on South Side of Roadway.

2. Establish Record Retention Procedure:
 - a. Fire safe file storage of paper documents—4 have been purchased and waiting to be set up in the office.

3. Cemetery:
 - a. Set Boundary Markers.
 - b. Protect Burial Lots From Being Driven On.
 - c. Coleman Road Access.
 - d. Drainage.
 - e. Install or Repair Existing Flag Pole or remove altogether.
 - f. Consider putting a dumpster at the Cemetery.
 - g. Tree work.

4. Zoning: On hold for now.

5. Waste:
 - a. Consider a Township Wide Hazardous Waste Collection Day of Promotion of Soil Conservation District Events.

6. Internet Service:
 - a. Consider methods to infill areas not yet serviced by High Speed Internet.
 - b. Consider internet service at the Township Hall.

7. Fire Protection:
 - a. Work to balance fire department payments to 1 mill of contributing taxable values.

8. Roads:

- a. Evaluate Gravel roadways for areas in need of drainage and prepare list by priority.
- b. Consideration of new road millage issue.