

VERNON TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MEETING HELD October 3, 2016

TOWNSHIP OF VERNON, COUNTY OF ISABELLA

LOREN COLE, CLERK

- A. The Regular Meeting of the Vernon Township Board was held on October 3, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Jeff Bean (Supervisor), Loren Cole (Clerk), Stephanie Allen (Treasurer), Jacob McConnell (Trustee), Mike Turner (Trustee) and Julie Cole (Deputy Clerk). Members absent: none.
- B. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by J. Bean who led the Pledge to the Flag.
- C. J. McConnell made the motion to approve the agenda for this month and the minutes from last month. Motion seconded by L. Cole. Motion passed.
- D. Visitors present: John and Judy Farnum (residents); Mark Griffus-gave a presentation for the 911 dispatch proposal for the ballot along with Ryan Brown from MMR; Bev Myers-gave a presentation for the Commission on Aging for the proposal on the ballot.
- E. Supervisor's Report:
1. Fire Dept: CAFD meeting on October 10, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
 2. Property Tax:
 - a. Dan & Cheryl Haring Land Division, Section 24.
 - b. Scott and Cheryl Selles Land Division.
 3. Solid Waste:
 - a. Trash Contract expires 12-31-16.
 4. Township Assets:
 - a. Cemetery: Cemetery Bollard posts.
- F. Clerk's Report:
1. Budget:
 - a. see packet.
 - b. We will need to budget around \$2500 next year for new voting equipment.
- G. Treasurer's Report
1. Financial Report as of: September 30, 2016

a. General Fund Checking.....	\$113,958.75
b. Waste Management.....	\$ 48,269.82
c. Vernon City Highway Lighting.....	\$ 2,425.52
d. Vernon Twp Perpetual Care Savings.....	\$ 43,891.67
e. Vernon Twp Cemetery CD -----	\$ N/A
f. Super High Yield Acct -----	\$ 76,454.20
 2. Funds Received for the month of September 2016

a. State of MI Revenue Sharing.....	\$ 18,097.00
b. Chemical Bank: interest.....	\$ 25.79
c. Isabella Co. Treasurer (2016 SET).....	\$ 2,492.50
d. MML (dividend distribution).....	\$ 257.00
e. Charter.....	\$ 296.53
f. Cemetery opening and closing	\$ 850.00
g. Cemetery Foundations	\$ 388.80

3. Review and Pay Bills: Motion made by M. Turner to pay bills for a total of \$13,682.57. Motion seconded by S. Allen. Motion passed.

H. Trustees' Reports

1. Jack McConnell-No report.
2. Mike Turner-No report.

I. Old Business:

1. Discussion of Solid Waste Contract Renewal: No Discussion and no action.
2. Discussion of Roof Field Status: Discussion but no action. Loren to check on roof situation.

J. New Business:

1. Review of recently completed Audit: Books from the auditor were presented to the board. No discussion.
2. Set meeting date and time for Election commission Meeting to appoint inspectors for the November 8, 2016 Election.

- K. Adjournment. L. Cole made the motion to adjourn. S. Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed. This meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Julie Cole, Deputy Clerk

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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.