

VIENNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016
CYNTHIA J. BRYAN, CLERK

Roll Call: Present: Rizk, Bryan, Cain, Lemieux, Thomas
Absent: Fuller, Belill

Previous Minutes: January 11, 2016. Moved by Bryan, seconded by Thomas to approve the minutes of January 11, 2016 with any changes and corrections. All in favor

Bills: Bills in the amount of \$ 66,397.51 were presented. Cain asked that a bill in the amount of \$247.27 from Stanley for door repairs at the Senior Center be added. Moved by Cain, seconded by Bryan to approve the bills in the amount of \$ 66,644.78
ROLL CALL: Yeas – Rizk, Bryan, Cain, Lemieux, Thomas
Nays – None Motion carried

Treasurers Report: Cain presented the December 31, 2015 Treasurer Report.

Building Report: Bryan presented the January 2016 building report. Cain explained that he has been tasked with working with the Building Department on the presentation of the information given to the Board for a better look at the actual expenses relative to income.

Library Report: Thomas stated the month of January was slow and all books were returned on time. Thomas reported the Friends of the Library were currently having a book sale that totaled \$2,002.00 to date.

Senior Center Report: Burton reported the number of participants as of today were 643, leaving them short for the March deadline. Burton explained that they recently held a tour from the residents of Roxbury, bringing in some new members and were planning another on the 19th with Clio Senior Village. Burton gave dates for upcoming Senior Center events.

Fire Authority Report: Rizk stated concerns have been expressed regarding the safety and welfare of firefighters, pedestrians and those passing through during a fire in the winter months where the water being dispersed creates icy road conditions. Rizk stated this issue will be addressed at the Roads and Bridges meeting next week. Rizk explained the Fire Department is still dealing with the potential dangers to firefighters or safety personnel entering a building with grow operations.

BDA Report: Rizk reported the BDA will entertain the opportunity to search for an Executive Director at their next meeting. He felt it would be extremely beneficial to Vienna Township to promote incoming commercialization.

Parks & Rec Report: Thomas reported the grand opening for the Ice Skating Park was held on January 30, 2016 all made possible by the Parks and Recreation Board which is represented by Vienna Township, Thetford Township, City of Clio and Clio Area Schools.

Supervisor Report: Rizk reported the Supervisor has assumed the duties of Human Resource Director and will be notifying the employees of the change. Rizk stated he has been in discussion with the City of Clio Administrator regarding improvements to the Bike Path south of the City and he has also been in contact with MDOT regarding a turn signal at Linden and Vienna Roads and a flashing light at Dodge and Saginaw Roads.

Additions/Changes: None

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: Laurel Coe, 11243 N. Center Road, informed the Board that she felt a great disservice had been done to the Senior Center and its former full time, now part time assistant director and expressed her concerns over recent occurrences at the Senior Center and asked that in the future the Board would think more carefully and get information from more people before making such a strategic decision. Rizk stated privacy issues prevent the Board from disclosing information on issues that Coe had brought up and explained that with the current investigation the Board takes its fiduciary responsibilities very seriously and he hoped when things panned out it would be clear to everyone.

New Business:

1. Resolution 02-08-16-03, Freedom 4 Veterans Run. Bryan explained this was the second annual race and last years was a great success. Moved by Bryan, seconded by Cain to adopt Resolution 02-08-16-03.

ROLL CALL: Yeas – Cain, Lemieux, Thomas, Rizk, Bryan

Nays – None

Motion carried

2. RBM Consulting, LLC. Bryan stated this agreement would be for the voter assist machines for the visually and hearing impaired voters and that they are not currently under a maintenance contract. Moved by Bryan, seconded by Thomas to approve the maintenance agreement for the Automark Machines with RBM Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$900.00.

ROLL CALL: Yeas – Lemieux, Thomas, Rizk, Bryan, Cain

Nays – None

Motion carried

9. Fire Authority Agreement. Moved by Cain, seconded by Bryan to approve the amended Fire Authority Agreement dated February 1, 2016 as presented.

ROLL CALL: Yeas – Rizk, Bryan, Cain, Lemieux, Thomas

Nays – None

Motion carried

10. 16ft Dump Trailer – Quotes. Moved by Cain, seconded by Thomas to purchase a 16ft dump trailer at an amount not to exceed \$7,228.14. Cain explained that he is awaiting another bid, but wanted to ensure it was approved at this meeting so the purchase could be made and the trailer would be available for use at the election in March. Lemieux questioned if all of the bidders are local, Cain stated one of the bidders was not.

ROLL CALL: Yeas – Bryan, Lemieux, Cain, Thomas, Rizk

Nays – None

Motion carried

Public Comment:

Charles Coe, 11243 N. Center Road, questioned why the Board is using the word privacy as an excuse to not address the issues, when Clymer has clearly given up her right to privacy. Coe asked the Board to stop hiding behind the privacy excuse.

Laurel Coe, 11243 N. Center Road, stated that she would like it to be on record that she did not say anything about an investigation.

Linda Greene, 1045 Baker Drive, stated Clymer has been a mainstay during the change of two directors and questioned the treatment she has been given.

Greene expressed concerns over members not feeling welcome at the center.

Carol Moore, 1278 E. Farrand Road, feels the Board has been unjust to the volunteers and longtime members of the Senior Center, questioned the priorities of the Board and stated the Center is a bed of secrets.

Board Comment:

Bryan wanted to clarify that the issues that have been mentioned are personnel related, not privacy related and in her experience in HR as well as conversations with attorneys she knows that you have to be very careful what information is discussed with individuals besides the employee.

Moved to adjourn at 6:07 PM

Cynthia J. Bryan
Clerk

CERTIFICATION:
STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF GENESEE

Approved

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Vienna, Genesee County, Michigan, held on the 8th day of February, 2016.

Joseph A. Rizk
Supervisor

Cynthia J. Bryan
Clerk