

VIENNA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016
CYNTHIA J. BRYAN, CLERK

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

Previous Minutes: February 8, 2016. Moved by Bryan, seconded by Cain to approve the minutes of February 8, 2016 with any changes and corrections. All in favor

Bills: Bills in the amount of \$ 57,135.10 were presented. Moved by Cain, seconded by Bryan to approve the bills in the amount of \$ 57,135.10
ROLL CALL: Yeas – Rizk, Bryan, Cain, Lemieux, Belill
Nays – None Motion carried

Treasurers Report: Cain presented the January 31, 2016 Treasurer Report.

Building Report: Bryan presented the February 2016 building report. Cain explained that he has asked the Building Department to give a breakdown of new building for residential, new building for commercial and any type of permits for reconstruction of commercial.

Library Report: Rizk stated that a budget adjustment will be required for 2016 because Vienna Township's portion increased approximately \$5,000.00 from last year based on an increased number of visits by Vienna Township participants.

Senior Center Report: None.

Fire Authority Report: Rizk stated that the budget and budget adjustments were discussed. There will be a special meeting on March 29, 2016 to amend the budget.

BDA Report: Rizk reported the BDA is currently looking at some of the resumes that were turned in for the Executive Director position. The Executive Director resumes are due by March 15, 2016. After that, the interview committee will be looking at the resumes to make a determination if any of the prospects are going to be working for the BDA and Vienna Township. At that point, when they make a determination, they will come back to this board and ask for the authorization to hire and for budget adjustments.

Parks & Rec Report: Belill stated that they did try to set up an ice skating rink but the weather didn't really cooperate that well. The ice got broken up and didn't get used very much. They are going to revisit the issue again next year and hopefully things will be a little bit different.

Supervisor Report: Rizk reported the road projects with the exception of one are on schedule and have been approved. He received from the Genesee County Road Commission a listing of the road projects throughout the County and also some of the flashing beacon lights that they are going to upgrade. There are 2 in the Township, one at Farrand and Jennings Roads and the other one is at Neff Road and Frances Road. The one at Jennings and Farrand is going to be a solar light scape. Also, the bridge over Pine Creek on Farrand Road will be replaced this year. They had scheduled to be replace it last year with R & R funds which means that the funding is taken completely out of legislative issues and no Township funds are used. The cost of the bridge project is expected to be well over one million dollars. Ordinances are still being reviewed and at the next meeting, Rizk will have an appointment for the Water and Waste Surface Water Management which will require a resolution to get somebody appointed to that board. We do have somebody that is interested in being appointed.

Additions/Changes: 10. Future direction of the Senior Center.
11. Approval of sale of Tax Reverted Properties

Correspondence: BDA 2015 Annual Report

Public Comment: Leroy Wagner, 5136 W. Dodge Road, He would like to get some information as to what policies there are in Vienna Township for the use of handguns for sport shooting. Rizk stated that Sargent Murphy was in the audience tonight, we have Mr. Wagner's address and phone number and that somebody will be in contact with him.

Closed Session: Rizk stated that for Item #1 Senior Center Director Contract under New Business the Board will be going into closed session because it has to do with personnel issues. Moved by Bryan, seconded by Cain to go into closed session at 5:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Yeas – Bryan, Lemieux, Rizk, Cain, Belill
Nays – None Motion carried

Moved by Bryan, seconded by Cain to exit closed session and return to the regular Board Meeting at 5:47 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Yeas – Cain, Bryan, Belill, Lemieux, Rizk
Nays – None Motion carried

the depiction first so we can approve it. They want to paint it on the South and the East side of the building. That does amend the lease agreement they have with us because they are altering the exterior structure instead of the normal paint job. They have assured Rizk that it would be tasteful and again we have full approval on it before they paint the mural.

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

Nays – None

Motion carried

8. 16th Annual Bikin for Burns Road Parade Resolution No. 03-14-16-05. Moved by Bryan, seconded by Cain to approve Resolution No. 03-14-16-05 with one correction of the Supervisor's name.

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

Nays – None

Motion carried

9. Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive. They have asked for the right to be on Vienna Road at the service drive entrance in front of Kmart, Kentucky Fried Chicken, and Vienna Road at Linden Road. They have provided a rider of insurance. Motion made by Cain, seconded by Bryan to allow the Knights of Columbus to do their Tootsie Roll Drive.

All in favor

10. Future direction of the Senior Center. Rizk stated that this board has been struggling with a lot of decisions that need to be made and with the vision given to us by the County. We are looking to temporarily suspend the operations of the Senior Center, reorganize, evaluate and restructure the direction that our Senior Center wants to go. Rizk stated that he can't tell you how long this will take. He would like to make this effective after we have some discussion this Friday. There will be some repercussions that will have to be dealt with such as rental agreements, etc. We are using the Genesee County Senior Directors for our support and direction. They are going to be giving us some ideas of a way we can go and we value their opinion a great deal. Cain stated that it is not purely a money issue, but there certainly are large sums of money that are being put into the Senior Center from this Township. We have to really look at utilizing the best with that money and what we can do with that money and make the Senior Center a place that we all want it to be. Rizk stated that it is not a permanent closure, rather, it is a reevaluation and a restructuring. Moved by Rizk, seconded by Belill that we temporarily suspend the operations at the Senior Center effective Friday, March 18, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. until such time as the reorganization is complete.

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

Nays – None

Motion carried

Moved by Rizk, seconded by Belill that under Item #10, he would like to continue on the same thought that the Senior Center Director be compensated thru March 31, 2016 and the two paid staff be compensated for 20 hours per week thru the end of the month.

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

Nays – None

Motion carried

11. Approval of sale of Tax Reverted Properties. Cain advised the Board that we have 3 pieces of property that we are going to sell. One of the properties has an eviction in process and should be closed next week. As soon as that is closed, we are going to put together bids with minimums just as we have done in the past to sell these properties. We have a vacant lot on Denise Drive and we are looking at the possibility of working with Habitat for Humanity on that parcel. They will be coming to look at the parcel in the next few days. When we get the bids, the sale process will be brought to the Board Meeting next month. Lemieux questioned if the sale price was going to be encumbrances plus legal fees like last time. Cain advised that it would.

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: None

Moved to adjourn at 6:04 PM

Cynthia J. Bryan
Clerk

CERTIFICATION:
STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF GENESEE

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 14th day of March, 2016.

Joseph A. Rizk
Supervisor
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