

Minutes of the Public Hearing for the adoption of the 015/2016 Fiscal year Budget:
Supervisor Housler called the March 12, 2015 Public Hearing to Adopt 2015/2016 General Appropriations Act of Freeman Township to order at 7:00 pm with A. Housler ,J. Lackie, R. Wells and S. Sable –present. P. Humphrey-absent. Citizens present-14.
There was no discussion on the budget and no concerns. Vote taken motion carried
A motion to adjourn was made by R. Wells and supported by J. Lackie. Vote taken, motion carried.
Meeting was adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Supervisor Housler called the March 12, 2015 Freeman Township Board Meeting to order at 7:10pm. Board members, Housler, Lackie, Sable and Wells, P. Humphrey (Absent) along with fourteen (14) citizens and guests were present for the Pledge to the Flag and Roll Call.

R. Wells with support from J .Lackie moved to approve the minutes of the February, 2015 meeting. Vote Taken – Motion Carried.

Dale Majewski, Clare County Commissioner reported that the County is very happy with the new security measures that have been taken at the County Building.

Saturday April 18, 2015 there will be a Health Fair at the Farwell High School Gym.

Julie Lightfoot, Clare County Road Commissioner will speak at the April 9th 2015 meeting about the May 5th election for the purpose of approving or not approving the increase in sales tax from 6% to 7%. This is a complex issue and one that is hard to explain, but Lightfoot is going to a conference and hopes to come back to her townships with some less complicated language to explain the whole bill. Not only would the approval of the increase provide much needed funding for roads and bridges, and much needed repairs, but funds for schools and other area are tied into this bill. It appears that each issue is tied together; if one fails they all fail.

Julie also mentioned the Road Com. Has blades to use on the roads that will let them dry out easier.

Kelly Bailey from the Clare County Sheriff Department introduced herself and encouraged any citizen who has any concerns to call the department and talk to them.

S. Sable with support from R. Wells moved to approve the payment of check numbers 13780 through 13812, early checks being 13780 through 13782. Vote Taken – Motion Carried.

The Supervisor stated that the schedule for roads to be graded for brining is: **Tuesday May 19, Tuesday June 30, and Tuesday September 1st**

We are waiting for a price breakdown on the roads before deciding which roads will be done this year.

Supervisor Housler stated that there are no grants out there and that he will get more information and share it with the Board.

Richard Wells with support from Sandra Sable moved to approve the 2015/2016 General Appropriations Act and the budget contained therein. Roll Call Vote: AYE: Wells R. Housler A. Sables. Lackie J. Vote Taken – Motion Carried.

A Resolution is made by Wells to purchase a backpack blower for the grounds and cemetery not to exceed a cost of \$500.00 and was supported by Lackie. All ayes Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Nothing from Planning. Their April meeting will be held on Monday the 6th. They are working on an outdoor heating ordinance.

Building Insp.: Werner Mantei: Absent.

Zoning: Harold Logan did not have any permits.

Blight: Harold Logan is working on 6 issues: 3 have been done and 3 have promised to comply.

Supervisor thanks everyone for coming out to the meeting. R. Wells with support from S. Sable moved to adjourn at 7:45. Vote Taken – Motion Carried.

Supervisor Housler mentioned that a ceramics class would be held in the fall for all citizens interested in a winter project. More information to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm motion by J. Lackie seconded by R. Wells

The next meeting will be 7:00 pm Thursday April 9, 2015.

Sandra L. Sable

Freeman Township Deputy Clerk/Trustee.