

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
of the
COMBINED AGENDA AND REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
APRIL 9, 2014**

The Chippewa Township Board of Supervisors held a combined Agenda and Regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.. Present were Supervisor Jim Bouril, Supervisor Nancy Lamey, Supervisor Mark Hoenig, Manager Mark Taylor, Code Officer Dawna Pella, Solicitor George Verlihay and Administrative Assistant Cindy Clark.

Chairman Jim Bouril called the meeting to order.

VISITORS

None.

MINUTES

Supervisor Bouril had the following minutes for review:

1. The minutes of the March 12, 2014 Supervisors' Agenda Meeting.
2. The minutes of the March 19, 2014 Supervisors' Regular Meeting.

There were no corrections and the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Supervisors acknowledged the minutes of the following meetings:

1. February 17, 2014 Sanitary Authority Meeting
2. March 10, 2014 Recreation Board Meeting
3. March 11, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting

ITEMS TO BE ACTED ON

The following item was presented by Township Manager Mark Taylor for action:

1. Ordinance #247: Manager Taylor said that Ordinance #247 deals with the yard waste facility at the park and the \$10 permit fee that will be required in order for Chippewa Township residents to use the facility if this is adopted. He said he received one call asking about the Ordinance and receptionists have had several calls from residents who asked when they could come in to purchase permits but he added that there has not really been any negative feedback on this issue. He said a new sign will be erected there today if this is adopted and he noted that the old sign will also remain at the park. The paperwork for the permitting process is ready to go today.

MS. LAMEY MOVED TO ADOPT Ordinance #247. Mr. Hoenig seconded the motion and with no further discussion the ordinance was adopted.

REPORTS

Chairman Bouril had the following March reports for review:

1. Financial Report
2. Police Department Report
3. Road Department Report
4. Wage Tax/OPT Report
5. Real Estate Tax Report
6. Zoning Report
7. Code Enforcement Officer's Report

(No March Fire Department report was received from that department.)

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Taylor had the following items listed on the agenda for discussion:

1. Garbage Exemption:

Manager Taylor said that Robert Foster owns a farm past Veterans' Park's west fields. He is asking for an exemption from garbage pick-up. His father has owned this farm since 1953 and he took it over in 2004. He recently received his first garbage bill from Valley Waste. Mr. Foster told Manager Taylor that he composts, has pigs and feeds them. He recycles at another place.

MR. HOENIG MOVED TO APPROVE this exemption request pending further discussion on the matter. Ms. Lamey seconded that motion and the Supervisors proceeded with discussion on this issue. The location of the home, far from the road was noted. Mr. Hoenig said (regarding setting a precedence with this decision) that since Mr. Foster has both a farm and pigs this wouldn't be likely to come up again. Mr. Taylor said that he knows this is an active farm. He also said that he has checked with other places and business and farm exemptions are given by other communities. Mr. Bouril asked if it would be possible for the Supervisors to reverse this decision on the exemption if there were problems in the future. Mr. Taylor said the exemption could be revoked if needed. He also said that he feels there should be a follow up on all people who are given exemptions from garbage pick-up. He said we should make sure that people given an exemption still qualify for this exemption later on. Ms. Lamey asked how this property could have been missed for such a long time. The Manager told her that Valley Waste recently hired someone to follow property transfers and to check on properties that might be missed. Valley Waste has also been contacting Mr. Taylor to ask about potential customers. After the discussion the motion to approve this request for an exemption carried. Mr. Foster will be granted the exemption.

2. Newsletter:

Mr. Taylor said that the spring newsletters are complete and he hopes to have them taken to the post office for mailing by April 16th.

3. Veterans' Park:

Mr. Taylor had a meeting regarding Veterans' Park last week. The first unit will be moving in near the end of June to do staking, surveying, etc. The equipment will come around June 30th. The troops will move in around July 7th. They plan to have 8, 12 or 14 workers there at a time. They will stay in the house out there. He hopes lots of work will be completed when they are here. He has a list of materials they have requested for the Supervisors to look over. He said the Supervisors should feel free to ask him questions on this.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mr. Bouril had the March 2014 bills for review.

MS. LAMEY MOVED to pay the March bills. Mr. Hoenig seconded the motion and the motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S BUSINESS

None.

SUPERVISORS' BUSINESS

Mr. Hoenig thanked Representative Marshall for hosting a breakfast for newly elected Supervisors recently. Mr. Hoenig attended with people from Industry, Patterson, West Mayfield and other areas. He said representatives from DEP, Penn Dot, Penn State-Beaver and other organizations were here.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to come before the Board, Supervisor Bouril adjourned the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

MEETING SCHEDULE

The May meetings are scheduled as follows: Agenda Meeting: Wednesday, May 14th, at 8:30 a.m.; Regular Meeting: Wednesday, May 21st at 7:30 p.m.

Secretary

Chairman