Sciota Township Board Meeting – December 12, 2016

(Draft)

The December 12, 2016 meeting of the Sciota Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Matthews at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all. Members present were Supervisor Matthews, Clerk Koerner, Treasurer Doyle and Trustee Reed. Member absent and excused was Bill Thelen. Guests present were Hank Cross, Jeff Bartz, Floyd Koerner, Jr. and Carla Dilday.

The minutes of the November meeting were approved on a motion by Matthews, seconded by Reed and passed. Koerner moved to accept the treasurer's report and place it on file. Reed seconded the motion and it passed.

Commissioner report: Jeff Bartz updated us on county happenings. The grounds workers appreciate the new truck to use for pushing snow. The budget is about the same as last year. It is balanced without borrowing nearly as much from the county delinquent tax fund. Pros and cons of wind turbines are being discussed. He feels we need better controls. As of Jan. 1, the commissioners have no more health insurance. The 911 board wants to form an authority which would have little oversite by the sheriff or commissioners. He wants more information and to hear from the incoming sheriff before he is comfortable with this.

Public Comment: Hank Cross reported that he didn't get the fire extinguishers checked but will do it this month.

Board reports: Matthews, none. Koerner asked for needed response for information on rental inspections. Also we are still waiting for the results of our 2015-16 audit. Doyle has 2 boxes of receipts for summer taxes that were not mailed.

Planning Commission: Reed moved to recommend approval of the variance request of Terry Esch and Kimberly Williams to build an accessory structure that is greater than 75 feet from the house and exceeds the maximum sidewall height by 2 feet. Doyle seconded the motion and it passed. A letter was received concerning changing property boundaries and was referred to the county planning and zoning office.

Emergency Services: Hank Cross reported there were 46 ambulance runs last month. There are still some manpower problems with the ambulance. Things are working better with Victor Township.

Old business: None

New business: A discussion was held on the web site. It was decided we need to advertise for someone to build and maintain a web site for Sciota Township. It will be advertised for in the Meridian Weekly and the Argus Press.

Lisa Doyle requested more training on the BS&A software. Matthews moved to approve it. Reed seconded the motion and a roll call showed an all yes vote.

Matthews recommended appointing Vaughn Vondrasek, Clyde Casler and David White to the Board of Review, with Carla Dilday as alternate. Koerner moved to approve them and Reed seconded the motion. It passed.

Koerner moved to make the budget adjustment of:

Move \$350 from contingency fund to treasurer – training.

Reed seconded the motion and it passed.

Koerner moved to pay bills. Reed seconded the motion and it passed.

| 9421 | MTA | \$149.00 |
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| 9422 | Phillip Matthews | 644.95 |
| 9423 | Nancy Koerner | 649.45 |
| 9424 | Floyd Koerner, Jr. | 109.26 |
| 9425 | Eric Schuman | 133.70 |
| 9426 | Deanna Turner | 23.41 |
| 9427 | Lisa Doyle | 491.24 |
| 9428 | Shawn P. Doyle | 85.85 |
| 9429 | Mike Reed | 109.26 |
| 9430 | Diane Dowler | 773.92 |
| 9431 | John Hancock Life Ins. Co. | 482.96 |
| 9432 | Consumers Energy | 34.65 |
| 9433 | Shiawassee County Equalization | 1,102.60 |

Doyle moved to adjourn. Matthews seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Nancy Koerner, clerk