

Sciota Township Board Meeting – March 13, 2017

(draft minutes)

The March 13, 2017 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, Trustee Reed and Trustee Thelen. Guests present were Hank Cross, Floyd Koerner, Jr., Charlene Austin, David White, Sandy Chavez and John Van Geertruy.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved on a motion by Thelen, seconded by Doyle and passed. Thelen moved to accept the treasurer's report and place it on file. The motion was seconded by Koerner and passed.

Commissioner report: none

Library report: Sandy reported the library had 43,312 items checked out last year. They loan out and receive books from other libraries. There are 473 libraries in Michigan that participate in this program. Sciota has 898 residents that use the library. The Laingsburg Lions Club pays to have e-books available.

Public Comment: John VanGeertruy has questions on putting another driveway in. They were answered by the board.

Board reports: Koerner reported that new election equipment was being purchased by the state. Reed noted the need to be careful as men pretending to be from Consumers Energy were trying to gain access to houses.

Planning Commission: Thelen had 2 calls on land divisions.

Emergency Services: There were 32 fire and rescue runs in February.

Old Business: Web-site training. There is a session in April. Doyle will attend and maybe Reed also.

New Business: Insurance coverage was looked at and decided it was OK. Thelen moved to make the yearly contribution of \$4500 to the Laingsburg Library. Reed seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all voting yes.

Doyle moved to increase the pay of trustees to \$150 per diem, deputies to \$150 per month, planning commission members to \$60 per meeting with the chair getting \$70. The Board of Review to receive \$60 per ½ day and \$120 per whole day. Election workers and election chairman to stay the same at \$10.00 per hour and \$11.00 for the chairman. Reed seconded the motion and it passed on an all yes roll call vote.

Thelen moved to approve the following.

Wave 1% collection fee on property taxes

Meeting times and dates - 2nd Monday at 7:00 pm at Sciota Township Hall

Library contribution - last year - \$4,500 Contingent on a representative attending a meeting.

MAGNET contribution - last year – \$1,880 Contingent on a representative attending a meeting.

Treasurer will not keep dog license fees

Publications - Currently Meridian Weekly and Argus Press

Treasurer can use any bank in Michigan for investing township money
Set millage to support township budget at 1 mill or fraction thereof for Sciota Township
Mileage - \$.50 per mile
Koerner seconded the motion and it passed on an all yes roll call vote.

Koerner moved to make the following budget adjustments:
Administrative: \$850 from contingency fund to professional services
Clerk office: \$69 from training to mileage and \$80 from training to legal notices
Hall and cemetery: \$300 from heating to building maintenance
Treasurer office: \$25 from printing and publishing to mileage
Doyle seconded the motion and it passed.

Thelen moved to pay bills and Reed seconded the motion. It passed.

9472	Rubber Cal	\$490.32
9473	Phillip Matthews	674.95
9474	Nancy Koerner	739.43
9475	Floyd Koerner, Jr.	109.26
9476	Lisa Doyle	914.61
9477	Shawn Doyle	109.26
9478	William Thelen	109.26
9479	Mike Reed	109.26
9480	Diane Dowler	773.92
9481	The Argus Press	10.00
9482	The Weekly	35.00
9483	Consumers Energy	87.15
9484	I.T.Right	775.00
9485	Laingsburg Public Library	4,500.00
9486	Carla Dilday	87.76
9487	David White	87.76
9488	Clyde Casler	87.76
9489	Shiawassee County Equalization	902.46
9490	John Hancock Life Ins. Co.	1,057.78

Koerner moved to adjourn. Doyle seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05.

Nancy Koerner, clerk