

Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 30, 2015

Call to Order @ 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Cole led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Hallman, present, Graves, present, Cole, present, Ciesielski, present, Schmidt, present.

A moment of silence in memory of resident Chris White and Robert Proulx.

Motion, Schmidt, second, Hallman to approve the minutes of October 26, 2015 Regular Board Meeting. Motion passed.

Correspondence is available to view.

Motion, Ciesielski, second, Hallman to approve payment of bills as presented in the board package. Motion passed.

Public comment: None.

Reports: Police Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Allen reviewed his report. Chief Allen is requesting to hire Jason Jenkins as a part-time police officer. Motion, Graves, second, Ciesielski to hire Jason Jenkins as a part-time police officer, after passing all background checks and physical exam, with a one-year probation period. Motion passed.

The Linden school incident is still under investigation and Chief is unable to discuss some aspects of the investigation due to pending possible charges at this time.

Fire Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Lafferty gave an oral report. Motion, Graves, second, Hallman to accept the resignation of fire-fighter Bryan Krupinski in good standing. Motion passed.

The annual Christmas Dinner will be held on December 12th @ 6 p.m. All Board Members are invited to attend.

Building Department- A written report was submitted. Supervisor Cole reported 4 permits were issued in the amount of \$2,539.00.

The Planning Commission – Trustee Hallman said the Planning Commission had discussion on boat houses and temporary hoop houses. Letters were sent asking lake association presidents as to their opinion on these structures.

Assessor Report- A written report was submitted. Assessor Cash has received tentative ratios from Genesee County Equalization Department and has been arguing to get our ratio as low as possible.

Attorney Report: David Lattie said we have 3 demolition cases pending in the calendar process with the court.

Discussed the ongoing eminent domain storm water issue. We received the title work and are now in the process of scheduling survey work. The next step will be to get the appraiser out there. We will use the appraisal to make a good-faith offer. If not accepted, we will proceed. Our goal is to have the title to the property by the end of April or sooner to get on the GCRC schedule calendar for 2016. We need to hold an assessment hearing between December and February.

I am requesting a short executive session to discuss an attorney opinion.

Motion, Schmidt, second, Hallman to enter closed session. Motion passed.

Entered closed session at 7:22 p.m.

Motion, Ciesielski, second, Hallman to return to regular board session. Motion passed.

Returned to regular session at 7:43 p.m. Cole said no motions were made in closed session.

Old Business: Administrative Assistant to Police Chief.

This item was tabled.

New Business: Appointment to Genesee County Metro Alliance

Motion Cole, second, Hallman to re-appoint Supervisor Cole as representative, Clerk Graves as alternate, and Jane Lefler as Citizen Representative for the January 2016 to December 2016 term.

Public comment- A resident spoke about equipment.

Business from Board Members:

Schmidt- The Bird and Daniels properties will be returning to the township in mid December. The existing residents have made it known that they have the money to pay off back taxes. The neighbor to the Ripple Drive property is interested in purchasing the property.

Ciesielski- Wanted to see if the board members approved of her contacting our engineering company, Fleis & Vanderbrink about easements. Cole replied that he did not think it was not going to be necessary.

Hallman- We need a request for service at 16479 Whitehead Dr. There is trash on the property.

I drove around the Township. The roads need grading badly. When will the Road Commission do this?

Graves- The election has been certified by the Board of Canvassers. I want to thank my staff and Election workers for a successful election.

We had the Disability Network come and walk our polls for handicap voter accessibility access. It has been determined that we comply with all federal election disability access requirements. I want to thank Bob Cole for walking through with them while the checklist was being completed.

Cole- District 3 and 7 sub committee budget hearing was held and the numbers were good. There will be no rate change for this budget year.

We need to set a date for an assessment hearing to pave the remainder of Haviland Beach Dr. Cole proposed Tuesday January 26th at 7 p.m. The Board agreed to this date.

The Cole Road Bridge has been completed and is now open to traffic.

Cole congratulated his mom and dad on celebrating 60 years of marriage on November 25th.

Adjournment at 8:05 p.m.

Denise Graves, Clerk

Robert Cole Jr., Supervisor