



SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
December 13, 2016

Call to Order: 6:00p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Feldmeier, Hovenkamp, Mongreig, Scott and Ulsh.

Approval of Agenda. Motion by Scott with second by Hovenkamp to approved the AGENDA as presented. **Motion carried 5-0**

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Scott with second by Feldmeier to approve the **Minutes of the November 15, 2016** meeting with the correction on page #1 of "December 12, 2016 corrected to December 31, 2016". **Motion carried 5-0**

Motion by Scott with second by Hovenkamp to approve the **List of Bills** for payment.
Motion carried 5-0

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Scott reported the following for the month of November 2016.

Income	\$ 99,437.90
Expenditures	\$ 95,613.77
General Fund Balance	\$ 261,893.02
October 31, 2016	\$ 265,717.15

Motion by Feldmeier with second by Mongreig to approve the Treasurer's report.

Motion carried 5-0

New Business

3509 West XY Avenue:

Present with an agreement for renovations at the above address were homeowners Josh and Lindsay Comins, and Dave Peterson.

The Comins' presented the Schoolcraft Township Board with the following:

- *Statement of Intent/Board Letter
- *Escrow Agreement (\$5,000.00)
- *Warranty Deed
- *House Drawing
- *Timeline

Upon receipt of these items an original order from a Dangerous Structures Hearing-Decision/Order for demolition of the dangerous building by December 19, 2016, has been extended to January 27, 2017. Treasurer Scott and Supervisor Ulsh reiterated that ALL timelines must be met.

Mr. Peterson stated that he has made preparations to complete the blockwork for the foundation which Compliance Administrator, Christine Hamilton said needs to be done immediately.

Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Feldmeier to accept the Comins' proposal including

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Motion carried 5-0

South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority: Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Mongreig to approve the proposed 2017-2018 South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority budget. **Motion carried 5-0**

Motion by Feldmeier with second by Scott to retain **Willis Law as the legal service provider** for Schoolcraft Township effective January 1, 2017, with the stipulation that Attorney Willis will engage with the Michigan Townships Association to become more learned on township law. That Schoolcraft Township will not incur costs for Mr. Willis "education on township law", and that a one (1) year review be conducted. **Motion carried 4-0**

Trustee Hovenkamp recused himself from the discussion/vote.

Swan Park: Engineer, Ryan LaPorte reported that the fund raising committee has begun meeting.

Road Committee: Received Local Road Participation Program and Local Road Participation Fund Policy from the Kalamazoo County Road Commission.

South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority: Will be selecting new officers soon. Rick Nason continues working with the personal committee in the search to fill the Fire Chief position.

Member's Time:

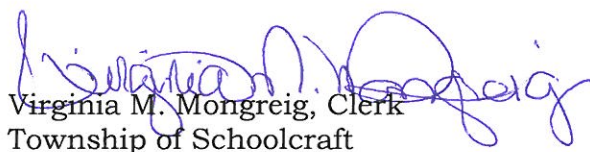
Trustee Hovenkamp: Reported of broken culvert piece near the road. Portage Road near W Avenue. Supervisor Ulsh to contact the Kalamazoo County Road Commission.

Supervisor Ulsh set the 2016-2017 Budget Workshop date; Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

Trustee Feldmeier reported meeting with a bicycling group.

Clerk Mongreig reported on the re-count held at the Kalamazoo County EXPO Center, the end of retiree health insurance payment, wetland study, and Vicksburg Cemetery tree problem.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 p.m.


Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk
Township of Schoolcraft