

BOSTON TOWNSHIP

Minutes of Special Meeting

February 5, 2014

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Dunton at 7:04 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Dunton, Lamphere, Van Prooyen, Olson, Sitzer, Ziesman

Absent:

Agenda: 2014-2015 Budget Workshop

Dunton opened the meeting by informing us that there will be two board members absent at the February meeting. Ziesman is on vacation and Dunton will be in the hospital recovering from his second knee surgery.

We received three letters of interest for the open Trustee position and one phone call. We could not accept the phone call applicant as letter of interest is required and the applicant did not meet the deadline.

Discussion of the remaining three applicants were considered with Ziesman making a motion that we accept the letter of interest from Joe Stuck as new Trustee, Olson seconded the motion, passed Yes-6, No-0

Ordinance No. 98-2 limits the number of dwellings a parcel may have (one per parcel). A resident wants to continue living in their current home while constructing a new home on the same parcel with demolition to convene after occupancy permit is received. Question came up, "When does that second home be considered a second dwelling?" Board has decided to adopt with provision with updated amendment of Ordinance No. 98-2.

Assessor wrote a letter to the township's affected by his State Review. Ionia County has been put on call for a 14 point review of properties. The assessor would like us to consider giving him more money for this as he will need to hire help to conduct the reviewed properties. We will ask him to be at the March meeting to explain further why we should give more money for his review.

Trustee Ziesman gave us an overview of the Fire Board meeting he recently attended. Fire board is asking Boston Township's approval of funds not exceeding \$25,000.00 for the purchase of a new rescue boat to be used on Morrison Lake and the Gran River rescue calls using funds from the .9 mil Fire millage. By acclamation the Board supports this expenditure.

Budget 2013-2014 was reviewed, some changes made for the upcoming 2014-2015 year.

Trustee Olson left meeting at 9:35pm.

Budget Balanced!

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Van Prooyen - Clerk