

FIFE LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES and BUDGET HEARING

JUNE 25, 2015

Fife Lake Township Board Budget Hearing came to order at 5:30 pm.
ROLL CALL SORROW_X_,FORWERCK_X_,OGUR - ABSENT, ROGNLIE
-_X_,STREET_X_. Quorum Established.

Forwerck reported on the 2015-16 Fiscal Year Budget for Fife Lake Township. No questions or concerns. Street made a **Motion** to accept the Fife Lake Township 2015-2016 Budget as presented. Sorrow seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Rognlie-yes, Ogur Absent. Forwerck realized action to accept budget falls under new business on Agenda, therefore, Street Motion to Rescind **Motion** until 11.a. under New Business on Agenda, Sorrow seconded, All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Forwerck Closed the Budget Hearing, Adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

The Fife Lake Township Board came to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll Call established a Quorum. Starting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Forwerck educated the audience on the citizen comment form. Forwerck also announced Maggie Martin's Memorial Service on Saturday June 27, 2015, 11:00 a.m. at Wolfe Funeral Home. She was a former Fife Lake Township Planning Commissioner.

Approval of Agenda; Sorrow made **Motion** to approve agenda Moving CPO Contract directly under guest speaker, Michael Moran. Add 11.f. Cemetery retaining wall, and 11.g. Adopt MTAs FOIA Procedures and Guidelines. Street Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Consent Calendar:

Street made **Motion** to approve May 28, 2015 Minutes, Sorrow seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Additional Bills Paid; Sorrow made a **Motion** to approve Bills. Street Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Street made **Motion** to accept Financial Report, Sorrow Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Bills Due \$10,769.04, Street made **Motion** to approve Bills, Sorrow Seconded, Roll Call Vote Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Ogur-Absent, Rognlie-Yes, Street-Yes. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE

Street read a letter from Sharon and Gary Burkholder commending the work of John

Kelley on Evergreen ST.

They are thankful to Linda Forwerck for listening and helping with their concerns.

No Citizen Comment

Guest Speakers from MTA's Par Plan, Mike Moran and Glen Lyle, personally presented a \$5000.00 check to Fife Lake Township towards the cost of a security system. Glen Lyle explained the grant is based on Risk Reduction program for all members such as the Fife Lake Township of thirty years.

Mardex & Associates received the bid for Security. Ronald Loveland JR went above and beyond to make sure we were up and running securely.

CPO CONTRACT Approval of \$76,588 (last year = \$76,015.00)

Glen Lyle also reported on the importance of police officers on site.

Sorrow made a **Motion** to Approve the CPO, (Community Police Officer), Contract. Street Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Forwerck-Yes, Ogur-Absent, Rognlie-Yes, Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

County Commissioner Bob Johnson absent.

Deputy Sheriff Hornacek reported on Statistics.

Steve Marth reported on EMS Statistics. EMS reported they received a grant for Training Equipment. They were sponsored by Voice Motors whose owners were our forefathers on Fife Lakes EMS. Fife Lake EMS can now hold CPR training for a lower cost. An article will be in the Kalkaska Leader.

Kyle Bonter reported on Fire Statistics.

Nicole Wheats passed State Test and is a Certified Fire Fighter. Two more possible members maybe on the board.

Open House will be after the fourth of July Parade.

FLAUA; Street reported the project is coming along and wanted to reiterate commending the Fife Lake Township Board for taking the time to make sure the project paperwork was done correctly. He also assured the public that the Township was not an obstacle to the FLAUA process but securing all areas for the sake of our community. Street presented an Ethics Policy to the board for all members to consider. Especially the FLAUA Board and Township Board.

The FLAUA meeting was June 18, 2015. Reported on billing through H&R Block was starting to stabilize. Ray Rivera stated the FLAUA needs to follow SAW grant laws and make some signage for ATVs to stay off the property. ~~Refer to a chart of fees.~~

Planning/Zoning: Mack Erickson reported on the Statistics. There are some new owners looking into the old farm on Fife Lake Road. Forwerck pointed out that the computer is now ready for his reports, so the board will expect this computer report at future meetings.

Civic Center South: Street reported there is more activity with warmer weather, grads,weddings act,,, Good local support and the Care Takers are doing a nice job.

Sponsor money helps with operations and additional signage. People would like to see no smoking. If you have not been there it is something to see.

Sorrow reported on Cemetery Committee. Read letter from two different citizens appreciating the care of our cemetery.
More on retention wall bids later on agenda.

Gifford reported on Planning Commission. Placed most recent census information in Master Plan and working on Goal Objectives for the next 20 years. All input welcome.

New Business:

Action on the 2015-16 Budget...Sorrow made **Motion** to accept The Fife Lake Township 2015-16 Fiscal Year Budget, Street Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds Rognlie-Yes, Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Ogur-Absent. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

2014-15 Budget

Three items over budget; building grounds \$1882.07, Planning Commission-\$134.55 and Clerk-\$258.59. Forwerck proposed transfers from under budget accounts; Cemetery Fund and Misc. Twp. Expenses. Street made **Motion** to make applicable Transfers accordingly. Sorrow Seconded, Roll Call Vote Finds; Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Ogur-Absent, Rognlie-Yes. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Dawn Kuhns, AD Assessing, reported there have not been any contract adjustments from ten years ago. The new annual contract will be for \$15,000.00 total. Sorrow made the **Motion** to continue with AD Assessing granting the new contract price. Street Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Ogur-Absent, Rognlie-Yes, Street-Yes. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Kuhns also asked the Township to participate in an Arial Portrait of Grand Traverse County, Fife Lakes share being \$730.00 payable by fiscal year 2016-17. County GIS Mapping needs a verbal commitment to start the project. Forwerck made **Motion** for Fife Lake Township to participate, Sorrow seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

A donation form was provided by Tawni Deike from the Fife Lake Village for \$150.00 Swimming Lessons Donation. Sorrow made **Motion** to Donate to the Swimming Lesson Program, Street Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Grand Kal road Special Assessment presented by Margie Wilson. Grand Kal road in the gravel area has been non passable at times. The Cedar Ridge area is looking into paving the Road. The Grand Traverse County Road Commission requires a request from the Fife Lake Township to get this project under way. The Township is not taking responsibility for this cost, The Road Commission needs to know the Township supports this project. Anyone benefitting from the project should be included in the assessment. Rognlie made the **Motion** for Fife Lake Township to support this project for the ability to initiate local Road, Grand Kal, improvement project by signing documentation with no financial obligation to Fife Lake Township. Sorrow seconded, Roll Call Vote Finds;

Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Ogur-Absent, Rognlie-Yes. All in Favor,
Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Fife Lake Cemetery Committee put out bids for repairing the dilapidated retaining wall at Fife Lake Cemetery.

Per the Township Attorney this would fall under account Buildings and Grounds.

Sorrow read the bids opened through Cemetery Committee. Elmers - \$15,700 and \$20,000, T&F - \$8,700 and \$8,700, Samone - \$10,750 and \$15,575 (2 options shown in each bid).

Rognlie said the Board already made a decision. Forwerck made the **Motion** to accept low bid from T&F, Street seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Ogur-Absent, Rognlie-Yes, Street-Yes. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Street explained the new FOIA which is MTA updated version of the policy we have had in place since 2008.

Street made **motion** for Fife Lake Township to adopt the MTA updated version of the FOIA ACT effective July 1, 2015. Sorrow Seconded the Motion. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Forwerck presented the Gourdie Frasier report on Evergreen Street. Gourdie Frasier will need a topographic survey through the Thompsons, Jones and Stone property. They will need verbal permission to get this started. Mr. & Mrs. Thompson granted permission for the survey to begin. More information will be available after the survey.

~~Rognlie asked that Gourdie Frasier gets permission from her when they start work in her area. Not knowing work was being done in the past created hardship for Ms. Rognlie.~~

Rognlie asked the Township to communicate with the residents of upper Evergreen ST before doing anything.

Street made Motion to Recess, Sorrow seconded.

Forwerck called Recess at 7:43

Forwerck called the meeting back to order at 7:48. Street made **Motion** not to entertain any further dialog on this topic without looking at the Police Report. Sorrow Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Forwerck reported on Rural Fire update. Long Lake and Green Lake, two of the bigger contributors, are taking another look at the contract.

The Station lease that has been adopted will be revisited after revisions are final.
Tabled.

No Other Business

No Citizen Comment

Meeting Adjourned 7:50 p.m.