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**FIFE LAKE TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
APPROVED MINUTES  
DECEMBER 21, 2017**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Supervisor Linda Forwerck\_X\_, Clerk Terry Street\_X\_, Treasurer Cathy Sorrow\_X\_, Trustee Elizabeth Pearson-Absent, Trustee Dawn Zimmerman-Absent.  
Quorum Established.

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

Street read purpose of Consent Calendar.

Sorrow made **Motion** to approve the Consent Calendar including updated bills, Street Seconded, Roll Call Vote Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Zimmerman-Absent, Pearson-Absent. 3-Yes, 2-Absent, **Motion Carried.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**CITIZEN COMMENT**

**GUESTS**

**REPORTS**

County Commissioner Bob Johnson -Absent  
Report available via [www.county.gov](http://www.county.gov)

Sheriff Deputy Jason Roelof reported

Rob Melancon and Andrew Killingsworth reported on EMS. Andrew introduced a new EMS employee, Danny Suggate

FLAUA report by Gifford no meeting due to lack of quorum. Last month we discussed the mailing of the Vans Lane residents and business owners being certified by the first of December. Forwerck added, the Fife Lake Laundromat will be closing after Christmas due to higher rates at the sewer level. This will not work with their budget.

Zoning- No Report

Planning Commission No Report

Civic Center South No Report

Cemetery committee No Report

## **NEW BUSINESS**

a. School of Choice Proclamation needs to be addressed. After some discussion of the pros and cons Street made **Motion** to adopt the proclamation for School of Choice Week, Sorrow Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

b. Planning Commission and FLAUA have term limits expired. Forwerck made **Motion** to re-appoint Leigh Gifford to the Planning Commission for a three year term expiring in 2020. Sorrow Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.  
Sorrow made **Motion** to re-appoint Leigh Gifford to the FLAUA term to expire 2021. Forwerck Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Forwerck would like to resign from the FLAUA with one year until the term will expire. Sorrow has applied for the FLAUA opening. Forwerck made **Motion** to appoint Sorrow for the rest of the term to expire December of 2018. Street Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Roundabout update – lighting and sidewalk.

Village President McGough reported they will be breaking ground come this spring for the sidewalk.

GT Rural update Springfield Township and Fife Lake Township will be meeting January 04, 2018 to go over EMS and Fire expenses.

The original Articles of Incorporation with Springfield was dated August 2017. The new date March of 2018 will replace the old date. Sorrow made **Motion** to amend the Articles of Incorporation Emergency Service Authority date for Fife Lake and Springfield Townships. Street Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Forwerck made **Motion** to approve the Resolution for amending the Articles of Incorporation for Fife Lake Township and Springfield Township Emergency Services Authority, Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Forwerck-Yes, Sorrow-Yes Street-Yes, Pearson-Absent, Zimmerman-Absent. 3-Yes, 2-Absent, **Motion Carried**.

Letter from Chief Theo Weber, he will be resigning from Rural Fire as of December 31, 2017.

Street reported on recount for the November election. All went well but the results did not change.

New voting equipment is here. We will have to pay around four thousand dollars. There will be training on the new equipment January 9, 2018 at the Government Center in Traverse City.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Street reported our Chamber of Commerce membership fee for fifty dollars is due. Street made **Motion** to continue the membership, Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Zimmerman-Absent, Pearson-Absent. 3-Yes, 2-Absent, **Motion Carried.**

Capital Conference will be January 31, 2018 in Lansing. Sorrow made **Motion** to send Street and Forwerck to the conference. The Township will pay for: conference, travel and overnight stay, Street Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Zimmerman-Absent, Pearson-~~Yes~~-**Absent**. 3-Yes, 2-Absent, **Motion Carried.**

Forwerck asked Village President McGough if the Township can add him to our agenda for regular reporting for the Village. Dave is ok with that.

## **CITIZEN COMMENT**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Sorrow made **Motion** to adjourn at 7:20 p.m., Street Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Next Meeting will be held February 22, 2018, at the Fife Lake Township Hall.

Draft Minutes prepared by Leigh Gifford

Approved By: Fife Lake Township Board with one correction in paragraph starting with Capital Conference see Yes crossed out and Absent inserted after Pearsons name. January 25, 2018.