

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Ford Town Board
August 9, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall

1. Board Members Present: Doug Bassett, Kim Johnson, Edna Cole and Sarah Berry.
Board Members Absent: none
Present: Alan Hancock, Zoning Administrator
Citizens present: Steve Venhuizen, Wayne Anderson
2. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Bassett.
3. Motion by Bassett and Johnson to appoint Steve Venhuizen to fill out the term vacant from Ken Von Bank's resignation. Discussion. Motion carried unanimously. Note: All members of the Board and the Zoning Administrator all have a set of keys for the town hall.
4. Set and Approve Agenda: M/S/C by Johnson and Bassett to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Citizen Comment: none
6. Zoning Administrator Report: Hancock went through his report. See report.
7. Planning Commission Report:
 - M /S/C/ by Johnson and Bassett to accept the Ordinance Amendment Report and Recommendation along with the written Findings of Fact from Hancock and to approve the Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 315: Towers and Wind Energy Conversion Systems as per the procedure in 730.4. Motion carried unanimously.
 - M/S/C by Johnson and Venhuizen to accept the Ordinance Amendment Report and Recommendation along with the written Findings of Fact from Hancock and to approve the Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 310: Mining as per the procedure in 730.4. Motion carried unanimously.
 - M/S/C/ by Bassett and Venhuizen to accept the summary of Chapters 310 & 315 for publication in the paper. Motion carried unanimously.
 - Storbeck update—Johnson has been in contact with attorney Scott Berry about the dollar amount to settle the Storbeck case. The dollar amount in the settlement is \$1,500.
 - Permit Application Fees—Planning Commission would like the board to look at the Fees for Exemption Certificates. The board will add the item to the agenda for the Organizational meeting to be looked at yearly. Penalties can be addressed at the same time as the fee structure.
 - Recreational District—Recommendation to table this issue.

Non-Conforming—Tabled until September Board Meeting.

8. Review and approval of minutes: M/S/C by Johnson and Bassett to approve the July Minutes of the Ford Town Board. Motion carried unanimously. M/S/C by Bassett and Venhuizen to accept the July Minutes of the Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.
9. Treasurer's report.
 - Board verified the new box of checks. Check #'s 2562-3061. Clerk and Treasurer presented Cash Control Statements that balanced.
 - Delinquent tax report—There is a total of \$5,241.55 of unpaid taxes from 04-09.
 - Unallotments—The State has made a reduction in un-allotments to the Township by \$1,900. The board has the authority to call a town meeting by December 28th to add the \$1,900 of deducted un-allotments. The board can think about this and decide at a later date.
 - 2011 Budget—Discussion of how to work on the budget for 2011. Board will hold a working session at the October Board meeting. The telephone will be shut down at the town hall. Most board members have cell phones and there is cell service in the Town Hall
 - M/S/C by Bassett and Venhuizen to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.
10. Review and Approval of Claims for payment. M/S/C by Johnson and Bassett to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Payroll checks 2526-2532 totaling \$1,235.16 ; Claims # 6665-6679 paid by checks #2533-2544 and Automatic withdrawals eft #161-163 for a total of \$2,103.27.
11. Old Business
 - a. Road and Bridge: Nothing new to report.
 - b. First Responder Donation: At this time the First Responders can leave the Ford Township money in escrow. It is the hope that we can get someone from the Township to come forward to be trained as a First Responder.
 - c. Potluck: Discussion of supplies needed. Tents will be set up at 9:00.
12. New Business.
 - a. Delinquent Tax Report: covered under Treasurer's report
 - b. Notary Stamp—Clerk: Clerk will need a notary Stamp. She will take care of ordering this.
13. Mail: Reviewed by the Board.

14. Review of upcoming meetings:

September 14—Board meeting

September 7—Planning Commission Meeting

15. Adjournment: M/S/C by Bassett and Venhuizen to adjourned the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Sarah Berry, Clerk of Ford Township