

Minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Town of Leola Board of Supervisors held on January 17, 2007:

Meeting was **called to order** at 6:20 p.m. by Chairman Ken Zimbeck following the Caucus. All Board members, Clerk, and Treasurer were present. Thirteen residents were also present.

Motion by Orin/Ted to **approve the minutes** of the December 13, 2006 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's report** was presented showing a balance in all funds of \$72,353.99. Motion by Ted/Orin to accept this report. Motion carried.

**New business:**

1. Consider with possible action the application of Susan Riemer for an operator's license: The applicant was not able to be present. Motion by Ted/Orin to approve the application pending her appearance before the Board. Motion carried.
2. Consider with possible action the purchase of a used all-in-one office machine for the Town Hall: The machine was not available for demonstration. Motion by Ted/Orin to table this item until the next meeting. Motion carried.
3. Set a date to inspect the former Empire Farms office building as a potential Town Hall: Ken reported that John Hancock Life Ins. will not consider a sale because Jim Mortenson wants to lease the building for 10 years and it is therefore not available.
4. Continue work on the Municipal Emergency Operation Plan: Ken reported that he and Orin had attended a seminar on devising this plan where they learned that the next step is for Board members to take the NIMS 700 course as required by Federal regulations, The 200 course is recommended but optional. These courses will be set up by MSTC. This item should remain on the agenda for February.
5. Identify items for future consideration: Clerk asked if there should be a change in policy for dump being open on Wednesdays because of the change in the duration of daylight savings time. Motion by Orin/Ted to keep the policy as it is with dump being open on Wednesdays throughout the time of daylight savings. Motion carried. Need to review pay rates of all hourly personnel because of increase in minimum wage; continue discussion on platform for dumpster; discuss other potential sites for new town hall.

**Old business:** None

**Other reports:** Former assessor's error in personal property tax assessment: Motion by Ted/Orin to refund to Martin Strook 2005 personal property tax in the amount of \$424.56. Motion carried. Clerk will make corrections necessary to recover appropriate amounts from other tax entities as "uncollectible taxes."

Ken reported that there will be a TRIP meeting at the County Highway Dept. on Jan 24. Need to include in next agenda the discussion of the next possible TRIP project for 2008.

**Correspondence:**

1. Notification by Department of Revenue of Setoff Program which now includes property tax debt: Clerk was directed to contact the DOR for details on how to enroll in the setoff program and how it operates. Add to agenda for February.
2. No response from Plainfield Fire Dept. regarding Advisory Board meetings: Ted will contact someone in the Fire Dept. personally.

**Citizen's input:** Karl Klingforth asked permission to clean up the woods around the Collection Site if he could keep the wood. Permission granted as this would improve the appearance of the property. Sandy Bula presented quotes on plans to install gasoline pumps at Ponderosa Pines. This is only in the planning stage. Dave Repinski reported on County Board items.

Motion by Orin/Ted to **pay bills** by checks 3917 through 3930. Motion carried.

Motion by Ted/Orin to **adjourn** at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Prince, Clerk