

ORANGE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING Minutes

265 W David Hwy
Berlin Orange Fire Station
February 9th 2016

- 1) The regular Orange Township meeting was called to order at 7pm
- 2) Present; Green, Plett, Wittenbach, First and DePotty
- 3) Pledge of allegiance by all present
- 4) Public comment – 2 residents were present to complain about the situation that has occurred on Hinds and Nicholas Rds. Another resident has gone over the road with a tractor and blade to scrap roadway and has created a mess of the road. ICRC Engineer Paul Spitzley was present and took the information and will have the ICRC personnel check into the situation.
- 5) Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda made by DePotty with support from First. Motion carried
- 6) Correspondence and Current Information: assorted items were presented.
- 7) Minutes from the January 2016 board meeting were read by Plett. Motion to approve minutes made by First with support from Wittenbach. Motion carried
- 8) Treasurer’s Report was read by Wittenbach. Motion to approve report made by Plett with support from DePotty. Motion carried
- 9) Monthly Bills were presented by Plett. Motion to approve bills made by First with support from Wittenbach. Motion carried
- 10) Reports
 - a) Zoning report – Fitzpatrick was present to give report. Motion to have the current Zoning Administrator attend training seminars and meetings with financial cost reimbursement from Township made by DePotty with support from Plett. Motion carried
 - b) Fire Station – 35 runs total with 9 for Orange Township with 2 assists. Discussion on the fact that current radios will need to be updated and/or replaced and the costs involved with that.
 - c) Assessor; The corrected AMAR which now includes estimated completion dates was accepted by the state.
- 11) New Business –
 - a) ICRC Engineer Paul Spitzley was in attendance to discuss the “amended” David Hwy Bridge contract agreement that the ICRC wants the Township Board to agree to and sign. Dorothy Pohl was not in attendance. The Board already has a signed agreement contract for the complete replacement of the bridge at a cost of \$57,000 to the Township which was signed on March 10th 2015. In this new “amended” contract agreement presented, the cost to the Township has been increased to \$90,000 with an offer of being payable over 3 years. The reason given for the cost increase was that due to the height requirement the new bridge needs to be at, there was an estimate cost error in the prior signed contract. A discussion ensued over the situation,

*Board Members; Supervisor; Tom Green Clerk; Linn Plett
Treasurer; Karla Wittenbach Trustee; Wayne DePotty Trustee; Josh First*

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the upcoming new budget and the law which states the Township is not required to pay for the costs of replacement. A Motion to table a decision until the next Township Board meeting was made by Plett with support from DePotty. Motion carried

b) Motion to accept the ICRC Gradall contract made by Plett with support from First. Motion carried

c) Motion to approve the ICRC Brine contract made by First with support from Plett Motion carried

12) Old Business - none

13) Public comments - none

14) Motion to adjourn made at 8:10 by DePotty with support from First Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Linn Plett

Orange Township Clerk

Approved March 15th 2016