

ORANGE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING Minutes

265 W David Hwy
Berlin Orange Fire Station
July 12 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 – Kyle Butler, a candidate for the Ionia County Prosecutor position, introduced himself and discussed his background. Our new Ionia County Sheriff liaison, Deputy Rachel Ervin, introduced herself and discussed her position with the county and working within our township. The board welcomed her to our Township. A resident brought to the Board's attention and discussed an unsafe traffic situation on Ionia Road.
- 5) Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda made by First with support from DePotty. Motion carried
- 6) Correspondence and Current Information: assorted items were presented including an update on the progress on David Hwy Bridge. The bridge could be completed sooner than expected.
- 7) Minutes from the June 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 First. 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 – Our ZA was present to give report. Discussion on issues and concerns related to the Schoenburg's RIP Rendering Plant located on Peck Lake Rd. Fitzpatrick is continuing research on the issues and contacting those involved to gain more information and possible solutions about and for the situation. Residents present discussed issues about odor, noise and dust and any ordinances pertaining to these.
 - b) Fire Station – No meeting in July due to July 4th
 - c) Assessor - No report this month
- 11) New Business;
 - a) The Portland Ambulance 2016-17 contract was presented. Motion to approve contract made by Wittenbach with support from First Motion carried
 - b) Public Accuracy Test for August's election will be held July 24th at 6pm at Clerk's home. Clerk has 2 new Election Inspectors that have trained. There are enough Election Inspectors that they will be working in shifts.
 - c) Trustee DePotty brought up discussion about fiscal management and checking into other financial institutes for information on their CDs

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

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12) Old Business - none

13) Public comments – Clerk Plett expressed Thanks and Appreciation to the Township ZA, David Fitzpatrick, for the excellent job he has been doing since he took over the position. Board members concurred and expressed the same with their support and thanks to him also

14) Motion to adjourn made at 8:15 by Plett with support from First Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Linn Plett
Orange Township Clerk

Approved August 9 2016