

# *Vergennes Township*

Regular Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2015

The regular meeting of the Vergennes Township Board was called to order by Tim Wittenbach at 7:00 pm in the Vergennes Township Hall.

Members Present:	Tim Wittenbach	-Supervisor
	Duane Rasch	-Trustee
	Rick Gillett	-Trustee
	Mari Stone	-Clerk
Absent:	Jean Hoffman	-Treasurer

The agenda for the meeting was approved with a motion made by Gillett, seconded Rasch. **Motion Carried.** The minutes for the February 16, 2014 Regular and Special meetings were approved as presented. The Treasurer's report was read and approved as presented. The invoices were approved with a motion by Gillett, seconded by Wittenbach. **Motion Carried.**

## **Public Hearing – 2015-16 Budget**

Wittenbach called the Public Hearing to order at 7:06. He reviewed the proposed budget, noting the payroll was raised by 3%. Other items covered included dust control/gravel roads, fire expenditures and the township website. There were no questions or comments. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:24.

## **Unfinished Business:**

**1. Adoption of the 2015-16 Budget** – Gillett motioned to adopt the 2015-16 Budget as presented, Stone seconded, and the **Motion Carried.**

## **New Business:**

**1. Burial Services Agreement/Fee Schedule Amendment** – New rates were presented from Ken Wittenbach, of Dirt Cheap Excavating. Stone motioned to approve, Gillett seconded, and the **Motion Carried.** Stone motioned to raise the burial fee on the township fee schedule to \$475. Gillett seconded, and the **Motion Carried.**

**2. Policy for Access to Public Records** – Stone explained that because the township's office hours were not "full time/9 to 5", a policy is recommended to cover the public right to access records. Gillett motioned to approve and accept the policy as presented, Rasch seconded, and the **Motion Carried.**

**3. Cemetery mowing, 2015 Season** – Clean Cut Lawn Care submitted a proposal to maintain the four township cemeteries at a seasonal rate of \$5200. Wittenbach motioned to accept, Gillett seconded, and the **Motion Carried.**

**Citizens Comments:**

Bob Rogers told the Board that the Lowell Area Fire Authority is asking for Storz adaptors on all hydrants in future developments. The Board was in agreement that the Ordinance should be amended to include this as a requirement.

Penny Rosema asked about the historical background on the Alden Nash property under consideration for development.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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