

Sand Lake Township Board Minutes – Regular meeting September 9, 2010

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rick Hauck at 7:00 p.m.
Those present were Rick Hauck, Don and Martie Wilson, Jim Delesha, Bud and Gin Kitterman and Elaine Rasmussen.

Pledge of Allegiance

There were no comments from the public.

Motion to approve the proposed agenda: Rick Second: Don Approved 3-0

The Clerk presented the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on August 12, 2010. Motion to approve the minutes as presented: Don Second: Rick Approved 3-0

Treasurer's Report was presented. There is a current balance in the checking account of \$57,563.36 and a balance of \$27,733.14 in Investments. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit: Rick Second: Don Approved 3-0

A discussion was held about the CD which will renew in October. The Clerk recommended that the Board consider increasing the amount at renewal by \$3,000-5,000 to start replacing the funds utilized for the parking area. Motion to increase the CD by \$5,000.00 at renewal: Rick Second: Don Approved 3-0. The Treasurer will investigate rates.

Bills for the month of September 2010 were presented in accordance with the Clerk's Claims List for Approval and Payroll. Total expenditures were \$5,777.49
Motion to Approve: Don Second: Jim Approved 3-0

Committee Reports:

Social Committee: Ruth's report was delivered by Rick on building usage for August and September of 2010 as follows:

Game Nights were held on August 13, 20, 27 and September 3.

The Women of the Woods met on August 23.

The Sand Lake Property Owners met on August 21.

An Exercise Group (balance and strengthening class) met on August 31.

A retirement party for Pastor Sam Muntean was held on September 5.

There was a Committee on Aging meeting on September 9.

Township Board was held on September 9, 2010.

Road and Bridge: Jim reported that Adrian Hoffman was placed ¾" rock on Ames Road and it looks very much better. Sam Muntean has cleared the beaver dams that caused water to back up on South Center Road. There was discussion about mowing the ditches one more time before winter. There is some difficulty with the mowing as the shoulders are very soft.

Old Business:

Community Center Issues:

Don reported that the basement walls were wet about three blocks high with standing water back near the furnaces. The sump pump was not working due to a stuck float. Don has repaired the float.

Five of the ventilators on the roof suffered hail damage. The Exit lights are not operating – each has only one bulb because Don was unable to find the correct bulbs for those fixtures.

The issue of building capacity has still not been satisfactorily resolved. The Clerk will check on the State Fire Marshall's website to see if guidelines are published there.

The carpet needs to be cleaned. Rick will contact the business that cleaned it last time.

Cemetery Issues:

Standing Committee: Bud reported on the meeting held August 20, 2010. Recommendations from the committee are attached to the minutes of the meeting. The definition of resident qualifications was re-visited. The Committee has decided that requests will be determined on a case-by-case basis for former residents of the Township or non-voting members. It was thought that the pending Township newsletter would be a good vehicle to communicate with residents about cemetery rules and policies.

Parking and access were discussed. Rick suggested that the Township add a transformer with a street light that stayed lit all the time so the flag could remain raised. Martie will take care of obtaining a new sign to replace the missing regulations sign. Firewise will start picking up brush from the tree removal on Tuesday.

The Committee wondered if the Veteran's insignias could be drilled into the stones instead of pushed into the ground. They are interested in making the stones more ordered and in line to facilitate digging and movement around the graves. The lack of laws or guidelines about depth, placement, and vaults was discussed. Martie will check online to see if the State has such criteria for burial.

New Business: none

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There being no further business before the Board, Motion to adjourn: Don Second: Rick
Approved 3-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine L Rasmussen, Clerk

Rick Hauck, Chairperson