

**ADA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 8, 2014**

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Haga at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Supervisor Haga, Clerk Burton, Treasurer Rhoades, Trustee Jacobs, Trustee Smith, Trustee Proos, and Trustee LeBlanc. Also present Planning Director Jim Ferro, Recording Secretary Dorothy Renegar, and 3 community members.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion by Smith, supported by LeBlanc, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

**GENERAL TOWNSHIP BUSINESS**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of Minutes**

November 24, 2014 Regular Board Meeting

**Receive and File Various Reports/Communications**

1. Fire Call Reports and EMS Report-11/14; 2. Comcast Update-11/20/14; 3. UAB Minutes-10/16/14.

**Motion by Rhoades, supported by Burton, to approve the Minutes, Reports and Communications under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.**

**APPROVAL OF WARRANTS**

**ADA TOWNSHIP GENERAL WARRANTS**

Treasurer Rhoades reported receipts in the following amounts: Hand Checks: #101 \$5,469.84; #205 \$1,473.43; #208 \$798.89; #590 \$7,122.07; #591 \$4,581.40; #592 \$327.41; Total all Hand Checks: \$19,773.04; Warrants: #101 \$22,416.01; #205 \$25,048.20; #208 \$3,995.15; #248 \$3,300.00; #590 \$98,319.89; #591 \$81,586.82; #592 \$87.32; #701 \$813.61; Total Warrants: \$235,946.92; Total All Checks and Warrants: \$255,719.96.

**Motion by LeBlanc, supported by Jacobs, to approve the Warrant Report for December 8, 2014, in the total amount of \$255,719.96. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, LeBlanc, Proos, Rhoades, Burton and Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**BOARD COMMENT**

Trustee Proos stated his concerns about legal fees in regards to the Pettis matter. Also, he asked if there were any updates on Envision Ada regarding the two properties in question.

Supervisor Haga replied he had a discussion with counsel on it, and the appraisals should be completed in about four to eight weeks.

Treasurer Rhoades wished everyone a happy holiday season.

Trustee Jacobs thanked the Ada Business Association for doing a great job with the Tinsel, Treats and Trolleys.

Clerk Burton stated the bridge is especially beautiful this year, and everyone involved did a great job.

Supervisor Haga thanked the staff that put up the lights throughout the village. He heard there were more people at the bridge lighting this year than last year. Also, he passed out the flyer regarding the winter park activities that Parks Director Mark Fitzpatrick put together, which has been distributed to residents and will be on the web site. Additionally, he stated the Ada Pour House restaurant at the Hillside Center now has a liquor license. Lastly, he stated there was an ad in the newspaper for the streetscape maintenance and flower planting services, and if anyone knows of

someone who is interested, give their contact information to him and the specifications will be mailed to them.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION R-120814-1, BUDGET PREPARATION SCHEDULE FY 2015/2016**

**Motion by Smith, supported by LeBlanc, to approve Resolution R-120814-1, Budget Preparation Schedule FY 2015/2016, with the one date changed from February 18 to February 16. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, Smith, LeBlanc, Proos, Rhoades, Burton and Haga; No – 0; Absent – 0. Resolution adopted.**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURSUE BIDS FOR CARL CREEK CROSSING PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Planning Director Jim Ferro stated the Open Space Advisory Board worked through the summer and fall with Trevor Bosworth of Virdis Design Group on developing plans for some modest public access improvement to the Carl Creek Crossing open space preservation on the south side of Grand River Drive. He stated the complete project, which is anticipated to be completed in 2015, has a cost estimate of \$132,725.00. The scope of the project includes public access improvements with minimal disturbance and a fairly natural experience for visitors; parking improvements with crushed concrete and parking for six vehicles; four foot to six foot wide natural trails; a wetland boardwalk; two creek crossings constructed using heavy galvanized metal pans set on compacted sub grade on each side of the creek channel; and removal of a dense stand of shrubs. He stated the cost estimate is well below the original estimate of 2012. Approval is requested to proceed with bidding for construction of this project in 2015.

**Motion by LeBlanc, supported by Smith, to approve Authorization to Pursue Bids for Carl Creek Crossing Public Access Improvement Project, in the amount of \$132,725.00. Motion carried.**

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

Frank Hoover, 850 Marbury, stated we need some parking so that we can access the trails on Bailey Drive, McCabe, and Grand River Drive from M21 to Carl. That is the biggest problem for these trails.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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Susan Burton, CMC  
Ada Township Clerk

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Date

RS/dr