

Monterey Township Board Meeting
October 7, 2013

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Nevin Cooper-Keel at 8:00pm at the Community Building. Board members present: Nevin Cooper-Keel, Jennifer Frank, Lois Commons, Earl Collier, and Faye Black

There were 10 citizens present and Max Thiele, Bob Karlie and Brian Busscher

September 3, 2013 meeting minutes approved, motion carried

Public Comment:

Max Thiele gave update on jail, occupancy date moved to March 1, 2014. Thursday 10/10 the commissioners will meet to address the budget.

Bob Karlie of the Road Commission gave report on roads, feels our county is in good shape. Took questions from attendees

Mary Whiteford introduced herself; she is running for State Representative – Republican Party.

Brian Busscher – Gave assessors report on the tax appeal with Sandy Pines. They have determined a value and Sandy Pines has countered with a much lower value. Brian is working with Salem Township as they both have parcels involved and both feel like the countered value is too low. They are at a point where they want to seek legal counsel in the matter and a possible appraisal of Sandy Pines to help resolve the issue.

Frank moved supported by Commons to approve Brian Busscher seeking counsel with our attorney for assistance with Sandy Pines tax appeal not to exceed \$1000 in charges and to be split with Salem Township according to the percentage of parcels involved in both townships. If the attorney's advise an appraisal of sandy pines it is approved up to \$5000 with Salem Township contributing to the cost again split according to parcel involvement within each township. Motion carried.

Kathy Shelddon from Walker, Fluke & Sheldon PLC gave audit report. Monterey received a clear audit and appropriate state reports were submitted. Kathy went over policy recommendations for the Township as well as Drains at Large. The board members were each presented with a copy of the audit report.

Frank moved supported by Collier to approve the Audit. 4 yeas, 1 Abstain (CK) motion carried.

Frank moved supported by Black to approve the 2 cemetery lot sale to Elaine Cochran, motion carried.

Discussed current and future road projects. Next meeting will have road budget numbers and plan on electing the 2014 road projects.

Nevin Cooper-Keel called drain commission to get facts on Townships share but did not make contact.

Collier moved supported by Commons to approve the September financial statement. Motion Carried.

Commons moved supported by Frank to pay bills. Motion Carried.

Commons moved supported by Cooper-Keel to adjourn. Motion carried.

Jennifer Frank
Township Clerk