

**Monterey Township Board Meeting
March 2, 2015**

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

There were 15 citizens present and Max Thiele, Bob Karlie, Cindy Gamrat

Cooper-Keel moved supported by Black that the February 2015 meeting minutes be amended and approved, motion carried 4 yays

~~Frank moved supported by Collier to amend and approve the agenda. 4 yays~~

*Cooper-Keel asked at 4-6-15 meeting for the 3-2-15 minutes be amended to show the proposed amendments to the Feb 2, 2015 minutes as being a reflection of his Nay vote on motioned raise for clerk and wanted the addition of notation he motioned a raise for the Supervisor position, motion was unsupported. These are also noted on the 2-2-15 amended minutes.

Frank moved supported by Collier to amend and approve the agenda. 4 yays

Gene VanKoevering from Sandy Pines and Jim Pitsch from Salem Township spoke of a need to work on a one mile section of 136th east of 26th street. They are interested in cost sharing the project. It does not work in their current year but they would like us to consider working with them on the project in the future. Discussed keeping communication open during road planning in future.

Bob Karlie from the Allegan Road Commission reports they attended a conference in Lansing to meet with legislators on the conditions of the roads. They are keeping up with the snow and are set with salt this year. Answered questions from residents.

State Rep Cindy Gamrat gave report. Has been focusing on Roads and Budget. She spoke of some bills she is working on and the upcoming election topics.

Max Theile gave County Commissioners report; they have been working on a budget and discussing many capital improvement projects. Jail and additional parking discussed.

Cooper-Keel moves supported by Frank to approve and utilize the bid information sheet for Lawn care. Advertising in the newspaper and on our website, sealed bids to be opened at April's meeting. Motion carried 4 yays.

Frank moved supported by Black to sign the audit engagement letter with Walker, Fluke and Sheldon. Motion carried, 4 yays

Collier moved supported by Black to pay bills. Motion carried. 4 yays

Collier moved supported by Black to approve the February 2015 financials, motion carried. 4 yays

Public Comment:

Pat Dendel spoke to an issue she is having with PCI and the Health Department concerning their barn they host receptions in. In 2013 they were granted a Special Use Permit with PCI and Board approval. Now PCI is saying they need to be treated like a commercial banquet hall which would include putting in an \$80,000 fire suppression system. They feel PCI has let them operate as they were for a year and are concerned with the changes and financial and contractual burdens it has placed on their business. They have an attorney working with PCI and wanted us to be aware of the situation.

Al Radspieler questioned the Board of Review dates.

Carl Avery inquired about the recycle program and processes. He turned in a card from Allegan animal control with a complaint number on it to Supervisor Cooper-Keel and asked him to get involved in solving his issue with his neighbor's loose dogs.

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

10:35pm

Jennifer Frank
Township Clerk