HAMILTON TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date 2/2/17

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALEGANCE 6:30PM Guest Count 1 Resident Count 16

Present: Conway, Iutzi, LaBoda, Wright Absent: Duby

Conway moved to approve the agenda, supported by LaBoda, all in favor. MC

Treasurer's report read by LaBoda, motion to approve by Iutzi, 2nd by Conway MC

Reading of January minutes by LaBoda, motion to approve by Conway 2nd by Iutzi MC

Invoices read by LaBoda motion to approve and pay bills by Iutzi, 2nd by Conway MC

Guest: Sandy Bristol, County Commissioner gave updates on county business including; the new Chair will be Karen Lipovsky and the Vice Chair is Jack Kleinhardt. Most townships have seen a decline in the gypsy moth population except for Franklin Township. The county is selling traps for \$7 each. Dave Cooper stated that the traps should be provide for free in some areas and Sandy said she would look into that. Bristol listed several of the committees she will be serving on. The Commissioners signed the contract with Homeland Security. The Clare County Transit is providing transportation service for dialysis patients. The Animal Shelter will be having a Rabies Clinic on February 4th and dog licenses will be available for purchase. The Finance Committee meets once a month and there have been many people in attendance making it difficult to get things done. Mark Loomis is the new county website manager.

Public Comments: Dan Bulmer commented on the upcoming pipeline meeting and talked about how good it was last year. Ron Rexer asked about snow plowing at the cemetery on Hoover. Marty Johnson mentioned the food distribution happening this coming Saturday at McGuires in Clare and the Winter Blast on the 11th at MMCC. Marty is a member of the Clare County Friends of Parks and Recreation and informed the group of a fundraiser coming up on March 4th at Jays. There will be a steak dinner and reverse raffle. Ron Rexer stated there is a Fish Fry benefitting 4H on Feb. 11th at the K of C hall in Gladwin. Mike Conway is on the 911 Advisory Board and stated there is no millage in the forecast.

Committee Reports: **Denise Goodenow, Planning Commission Chair** stated the meeting on January 10th was cancelled due to weather and the public hearings for the Park Master Plan and the Open Burning Plan will be February 14th. Denise said she recently signed up with ISP for her internet at home and is very pleased with the service.

Mark Janeczko, Zoning & Blight Enforcement issued 1 permit for a new Amish school being built on Bailey Lake Road and worked on a split reversal. Mark stated he has been receiving increasing calls from title companies and individuals interested in purchasing property. A resident had contested a ticket on a fence and the township won the case and the resident was fined \$150. Mark attended a DNR Grant Workshop on January 24th and reminded everyone that when you purchase a State Park sticker a portion of that goes to the grant fund. Mark discussed the area in the township that is state land and how right now it is open to ATV'S/ORV's and the possibility of making a nature trail that would be closed to those motorized vehicles. There are currently no new blight issues but snow hides blight. Scrap piles are not permitted in subdivisions and if there is no fence or building to hide these temporary piles it is no good.

New Business: LaBoda moved to approve sending 4 members of the Board of Review for training at a cost of \$120 (\$30 each), supported by Conway, all in favor MC Discussion on the need for a safe and drop box.

Old Business: Siren went off on schedule. Brining will be done on May 10th

Conway moved to adjourn at 7:32, supported by Iutzi, all in favor. MC