

Elmer Township Meeting

July 18, 2016

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Members Present: Marty Galbraith, Supervisor; Jeanie Smith, Clerk; Sue Stenson, Treasurer; Julie Hershberger, Trustee; Richard Ellis, Trustee

Number of non-members present: 4

June 20, 2016 minutes approved as read. Treasurer and Clerk's financial reports presented and approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Playground: The Ten Spin merry-go-round has been ordered for the playground. It may take 4-5 weeks for delivery.

The grill cover hasn't yet been started. Marty will check with Paul at Highland Lumber to see if there's a tentative date set to get it built.

Hall Rental: After some discussion the board made a motion to give the job of scheduling hall rentals and cleaning the hall to deputy clerk, Jenni Layman, when Julian retires. Motion made by Jeanie, seconded by Sue, all were in favor. Jenni accepted the position.

The board suggested that she use Curt Hinkley as a backup for the occasional stripping and waxing of the floors or any other work that Jenni may need someone to help out with or to fill in when needed. She will begin helping Julian starting September 1.

Sheriff Kevin Grace talked about a candidate forum to be held at the K of C hall on July 19th and he explained the millage renewals that are on the ballot.

Larry Wilson updated the board on the courthouse saying that they are working on salvaging some benches from the burned building to eventually be used in the new courthouse when it's built. Architects are interviewing county employees to help determine the size needed for office spaces.

Cemetery foundations: Discussion was held on how much to charge for the cost of a foundation that has to be dug down to the frost line. Most foundations are 4-6 inches deep while the frost line is 2 feet.

The general consensus of the board is that the work for this depth is not necessarily any greater than the work to put in a 22" x 55" foundation (the largest on the list) so the cost shouldn't be any higher. Should the amount of cement needed be significantly more, then adjustments could possibly be made.

Marty will discuss it further with Raquel.

NEW BUSINESS:

An MTA Risk Assessment was done by an MTA representative at the end of June. The board received some suggested improvements on the playground and hall and will work towards making those improvements. Richard agreed to help oversee periodic playground inspections.

Motion made to accept bills as presented. Sue/Julie Checks #1133 through #1159.

Meeting adjourned, 8:20 pm

Submitted by
Jeanie Smith, Clerk