

**Town of Cherry
Regular Board Meeting
12/05/2018**

Minutes from the 11-07-18 Regular Board Meeting:

The regular board meeting was called to order by Chairman Dave Leslie at 7:00 pm. Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman David Leslie, Ron Pittman, Treasurer Diane Jacobson, Clerk Angela Koski, Key Holder Cheryl Borbiconi, Fire Chief Phil Fleetwood, and Kip Borbiconi were present.

Ron made a motion to accept the minutes. Dave supported. Motion carried.

Diane Jacobson presented the treasurer's report for approval. She reported the following balances:

**Town of Cherry
Monthly Fund Balances
11/01/2018**

| Fund: | Beginning Balance: | Deposits: | Disbursements: | Ending Balance: |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| General: | \$ 214,879.62 | \$ 147.07 | \$ 3,439.02 | \$ 211,587.67 |
| Fire: | 164,492.05 | 434.96 | 5,957.26 | 158,969.75 |
| Recreation: | 22,930.02 | 2,412.02 | 1,486.16 | 23,855.88 |
| H/S/W: | 41,264.02 | 4.92 | -0- | 41,268.94 |
| Capital Improvements: | 104,342.66 | 16.26 | -0- | 104,358.92 |
| Totals: | \$ 547,908.37 | \$ 3,015.23 | \$ 10,882.44 | \$ 540,041.16 |
| Account: | Beginning Balance: | Deposits: | Disbursements: | Ending Balance: |
| Checking Account | \$ 547,908.37 | \$ 3,015.23 | \$ 10,882.44 | \$ 540,041.16 |
| Contingency | -0- | -0- | -0- | -0- |
| CD | -0- | -0- | -0- | -0- |
| Total | \$ 547,908.37 | \$ 3,015.23 | \$ 10,882.44 | \$ 540,041.16 |

| | |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Cash on Hand: | \$ 3,452.51 |
|----------------------|-------------|

Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Dave Leslie. Supported by Ron Pittman. Motion carried.

Claims were presented by Angela Koski for approval and payment. Dave made a motion to pay all bills. Ron supported. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

St Louis County Association of Townships (SLCAT)- Minutes of April 25, 2018 meeting and important to know information and upcoming event dates.

Lake Country Power- Newslines & Strictly Business Flyers

Range LP Gas-Important Propane Safety Information for 2018

Fun Express Product Guide- Product Guide (2 copies-gave one to Lauri G.)

Fire Department:

-Phil Fleetwood gave report. Fire meeting was held on Monday because of elections. Deer season has been causing their meetings to be a bit sparse. "Not a great turnout."

FEMA grant is being written by Dan Mackey. If the grant is awarded the fire department wishes to purchase a new "Jaws of Life." The Jaws of Life that they have is more than 20 years old and it was a refurbished model when they purchased it. They are also interested in purchasing a new to them brush truck.

The firefighters have been busy! Football games are over. And they keep working on maintaining the trucks and equipment.

Phil asked about the lighting in the front and back of the building. Ron had a quote that he would be sharing during new business.

First Responders:

No one present for the First Responders. Phil did report that the township would be losing a First Responder. James Heitzman is moving and will be resigning. There is a need for more members. They are actively looking for more members. Men and women are welcome to join.

Key Holder:

Key Holder reported that Amy Sirjord is considering using the hall on Thursday nights until March for 4H's Horse Knowledge Bowl. The township would allow her to use the building for free because it is for students who are attending school in Cherry.

Boy Scouts occasionally use Sundays. At most it is a couple of times a month. This is also done without charge.

A new cabinet is needed for the storage room to hold and lock up supplies.

Internet Committee Member:

Kip met with the committee on Oct 18th. The committee was impressed with the turnout that we had last month for the information meeting. The committee discussed what they felt should be the next step. They are looking at the boundaries. They are considering application for a USDA grant.

A speed test was released.

It was decided to form a board who will request resolutions from communities and then the board would present the resolutions instead of having individual communities submit resolutions. Dave made a motion to adopt a resolution that Kip would deliver stating that Cherry Township supports the internet project to the RAMS-Range Association of Municipalities and Schools. Ron Supported. Motion carried. Kip had a copy of the resolution. Ron and Dave signed the resolution. Kip was given permission to promote Cherry as a location for a base.

Recreation Board:

Dave Leslie reported on the Rec Meeting.

Twins Grant- Copies of paid bills, pictures, etc. as proof that the project is complete are needed.

The Rec Building is winterized. Painting of the walls and floor are about half done. The remainder of the work will need to wait until spring. It is too cold to paint now.

Halloween party- more than 100 kids attended.

Ink was ordered to replace what was used.

Maintenance:

Ron Pittman reported that things are going well. He will report on more during old/new business..

Old Business:

Ball Field- Ron has not heard from the school to confirm that the school baseball team will be using the field in the spring. If they are using the field it will be necessary to move the fence.

Rec building is coming along nicely.

Mowers/lawn-field equipment will be serviced at L & M and L & L Rental.

The culvert in the front on the fire department side was scraped down. Phil said it is much better.

Lights for the outside of the building – Ron received an estimate from Dustin Grangruth (Reichel Electric) to replace the lights. The total cost is estimated to be \$1300. Ron made a motion to hire Reichel Electric to replace the lights. Dave supported. Motion carried.

Boulder Design – The base is done. The boulder should be delivered soon.

Window-Ron contacted Bob Ellis with Range Installers. Waiting for estimate.

John Asuma cut the brush around the grounds. Things look great. John refused to charge the township. A motion was made by Dave to pay John \$50 to cover his fuel costs. Ron supported. Motion carried.

Ron is waiting to hear from Todd Lindstrom about plowing. Ron made a motion to hire Todd Lindstrom if his quote is reasonable. Dave supported. Motion carried.

Ron will remove mower batteries and put them in the fire hall.

Snow blower is ready to go!

New Business:

Dave made a motion to buy a new cabinet for the storage room. A cabinet 36"x78"x24" for \$714.99 is available through Menards. Ron supported. Motion carried. Angie will order the cabinet and have it delivered to the store. Once it arrives at the store a board member will pick it up.

Dave Leslie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Ron supported. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Koski, Clerk
Town of Cherry

