Deerfield Township Board Meeting - VIA ZOOM DUE TO COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS February 11, 2021

Meeting Called to Order at 7:03 pm

All Board members present.

Also present: Ray and Jan Steinke, Helen and Stan Carey

Pledge of Allegiance led by Gary Lambrix

Public Comment: None

Minutes from January Board meeting were read. Motion by Sheila Lingle to approve minutes. Second by Gary Lambrix . All yes. Motion carried.

Bills presented to all board members. Motion by Gary Lambrix to pay bills as presented. Second by Sheila Lingle. Roll call vote. All yes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report presented by Sheila Lingle. Gary Lambrix motioned to accept the report as presented. 2nd by Julie Aldrich. Roll call vote, all yes. Motion carried.

Assessor's Report presented by Wayne Sutherland. Balanced role with county. BOR will be challenging but doable. Board of Review personnel went to training and are qualified for next two years.

Roads:

Discussion regarding brine on dirt roads. Discussions on repairing/maintenance on dirt roads. Phil Stier will speak to the Road Commision to get the rest of the questions answered. Need to decide which roads need work first. Gary requested we remember 130th bridge is discussions.

Fire Department:

WIII continue with current budget next year. New member may need turn out gear.

New Business:

Motion by Julie Aldrich to pay drain bill out of general fund in the amount of \$5,458.70 at next month's board meeting. Second by Brian Carey. Roll call vote. All yes. Motion carried.

Budget proposal presented to board. Discussion.

Gary Lambrix motioned for Clerk and Treasurer positions to receive 5% increase and for Clerk to receive \$12 per hour for election duties. Also, that trustee position increase by \$15 per meeting. Second by Julie Aldrich. Roll call vote. Gary yes, Julie yes, Phil yes, Sheila yes, Brian no. Motion carried.

Clean-up day is on April 17th from 8am to noon.

Hall is still unavailable to rent.

May need election worker for May election.

Public Comment:

Ray Stienke: Asked if the budget was a proposed budget and reminded the board that the retirement would also increase if wages increase.

Helen Carey: Stated that she is opposed to wage increases and that public is not allowed to comment on budget during the meeting.

Next Meeting on March 11, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm