A regular monthly meeting of the Gilmore Township Board was held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, at the Gilmore Township Hall. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Stark, Marshall, Gibbs, McConnell, Rogalski **MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**Recognition of Guests:** Michelle Jourstra , Michelle is our new B.O.R. Member. Kevin Berk of Timber Tree Service spoke about the issues with the Blue Spruce Pine trees in the East Cemetery. They have needle cast. He stated that the trees are unhealthy and would cost more to have removed once the needle cast progresses. The Board will take this into consideration.

**AGENDA:** The Supervisor submitted a copy of the Agenda to each Board Member for their review. He called for any additions, changes or deletions to the Agenda. A motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by Marshall to approve the agenda as presented by the Supervisor.

All yeas being heard the motion carries. Yeas-5, Nayes-0

### **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

A copy of the January 11, 2017 regular monthly meeting minutes was circulated to each Board Member for their review. The Supervisor called for any additions or corrections to the minutes. A motion was made by Marshall and seconded by McConnell to accept the previous minutes as presented.

All yeas being heard the motion carries: Yeas-5, Nayes-0

# TREASURE'S REPORT

The Treasurer circulated a copy of the Treasurer's report to each Board Member for their review and read it aloud. A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Rogalski to approve the Treasurer's report in the amount of \$12,525.58 and check numbers 7880-7897.

All yeas being heard the motion carries: Yeas-5, Nayes-0

# NEW BUSINESS

- A. Board of Review dates: Organizational meeting March 7<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 p.m., March 15<sup>th</sup> from 9-3, and March 16<sup>th</sup> from 3-9. These meeting are to be held at the Gilmore Township Hall.
- **B. Budget dates:** Budget Workshop to be held on March 24<sup>th</sup> @ 5 P.M., Budget Hearing to be held on March 30<sup>th</sup> @ 5 P.M.

- **C. Road Commission Road Report:** The County Road Commission will be covering the expense of crack seals and chip seals this year.
  - Winn Road repave from Coleman Road south approx. 1.24 miles will cost the Township \$64258.00 with contingency. This is projected to happen in 2017.
  - Gravel program this year will be matched by the County Road Commission. If Gilmore Township Gravels 1 mile @ \$15,000.00 the Road Commission will also gravel a mile. Program is good for 1 mile that the County Road Commission chooses.
  - **3.** Brining contract this year will cost Gilmore Township \$26811.18. This would include 2 applications at 2000 gallons per mile.
  - **4.** John Graham from the Isabella County Road Commission spoke about the gravel program. Gravel to include 1000 tons applied per mile.
- **D. Liability Insurance:** The estimate for the insurance policy for the upcoming budget year is \$2771.00. This is the same cost as last year.
- E. Sexton/Groundskeeper Contract: After some discussion a motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by McConnell to approve the Sexton/Groundkeepers contract.

All Yeas being heard the motion carries: Yeas-5, Nayes-0

- **F. Cemetery Tree Removal:** Estimate for removal of approximate 12 trees from East side Cemetery was received from Kevin Berk of Timber Tree services in the amount of \$3000.00. No action was taken at this time.
- **G. Roof Repair:** An estimate was provided by Dominic Finnerty for the repainting of the Town Hall roof and two doors. The estimate was for \$1571.00. No action was taken at this time.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. B.O.R. Training: Four members will be attending the training scheduled on Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup>, at the Chippewa Hills High School.
- **B. B.O.R Training at Isabella Senior Center:** B.O.R. members know that this training is available to them also.
- C. Website Renewal: Website is still up and running.

### **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Software training is scheduled to begin on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Taxes are to be turned over to County on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, Gilmore Township has no Drain at Large expense.

**SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:** Census is coming up again in the year 2020. **CLERK'S REPORT:** Waste Management will be issuing Gilmore Township a \$2500.00 credit on their next invoice due to lack of garbage being picked up. DEQ had sent one letter in regards to an after the fact permit. ZBA will be holding a meeting on a proposed cell tower on Winn rd. Election training is scheduled for the Clerk and the new Deputy Clerk on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> in Bay City. After some discussion a motion was made to set the new Deputy Clerk wage at \$9.00 per hour for training just like the B.O.R. and election workers. Motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by Marshall.

All yeas being heard the motion carries: Yeas-5, Nayes-0

**ASSESSOR'S REPORT:** February is a very busy month, assessment change notices are going out by the end of the month. Next year land division filings will be cut off January 1<sup>st</sup>. Most counties cut off date is in December. Looking at building permits that were pulled at the end of last year. Gilmore Township had 50 good sales last year. These were sales that were not family sales or put into a trust.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Gibbs to adjourn the meeting. All yeas being heard the meeting adjourned at 8:18 P.M.

Thomas Gibbs, Clerk, Unapproved minutes, February 8<sup>th</sup>,2017.