

**Coe Township
9327 239th Street North
Port Byron, IL 61275
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Town Board Meeting: April 20, 2015

Members Present: Steve Simpson, Rick Mitton, Bev Hansen, Brenna Francisko, Ann Tague, Michael OHara, Paul Riewerts, Mark Kruckenberg

Members Absent: Betsey Morthland

Guests: Kenny Reveal, Jim Hecker, Stef Ruby, Roy Threlkeld, Dennis Meiers, Shirley Meiers

March Minutes were read by Brenna Francisko – Michael OHara motioned to accept, Paul Riewerts seconded, motion carried.

Visitors:

- **Stephanie Ruby wants to thank Rick Mitton for the progress thus far. Rick notified Canoe Creek that one of the culverts needed to be replaced. All the trees that were cut have been sitting next to the road for the last three months. Coe Township paid for 25%, local farmer paid 25% and Canoe Creek paid 50% to add a culvert. The silt fence has blown down and is flapping in the wind – the R&B crew will look into this.**
- **Dennis & Shirley Meiers have concerns about a tree hanging over 66th Avenue – it is arched half way over the road. Searls own the property that the tree is on. Combines are hitting the tree as they drive down the road. Also there is a 10 ton weight limit sign on the road and there has been a 30 ton crane delivered via this township road since the weight limit sign was posted. The Meiers' also wanted to say thanks for helping with the mailbox.**

Supervisor's Report:

- **One use of the building for the elections. Steve Simpson did receive a request to open up the shop for people to wait in line instead of outside. Steve was unable to accommodate due to no time to prepare the shop for visitors.**
- **The Annual Township meeting was held on April 14th.**
- **TOIRMA sent a request for updated information – this was filled out by Rick Mitton and Steve Simpson and submitted.**

Road Commissioner's Report:

- **Most of the weight limit signs have been removed – we can only post for 3 months out of the year.**
- **Rick is looking into possibly renting or leasing a sealing machine.**
- **217th held up pretty good for all the rain we just received.**
- **Crew is currently trimming trees and brush.**
- **Crew has also been hauling rock and putting some on the gravel roads. Might have to grind some other roads which may not be resealed this year.**

Assessor's Report: None

Clerk's Report: None

Trustee Report: None

Cemetery Board (Paul Riewerts):

- **They are continuing to clean up both cemeteries, with the assistance of the R&B crew. Grass seed has been put down.**
- **The new Flag Pole and Light have been installed at Pleasant Point Cemetery and will be getting Fairfield's installed soon.**
- **James Sallows declined to continue in his role as Sexton of Fairfield Cemetery. The Cemetery Board asked Kenny Reveal to fill that position, Kenny accepted and will be trained for both cemeteries.**

Old Business:

- **Bid for Radio Repeaters – the board agreed to table this discussion until May.**

New Business:

- **Grocery Delivery Service – Steve received a call from a resident asking if Coe Township participated in the HyVee grocery service. Steve contacted Cordova Township – they have the resident pay \$5 and Cordova pays \$25 of the fee. HyVee says they currently use a third party site and they are in the process of switching to their own site – should be finalized in September or October. The board agreed to look into this after the HyVee site is up and running.**
- **It was brought up to switch the June meeting to June 22nd instead of June 15th – this will be discussed in May after everyone has had a chance to double check their schedules.**
- **Mark Kruckenberg made a motion to pay the Cemetery Board members \$500 annually and the Cemetery Sextons \$500 annually and \$50 for each burial, Michael OHara seconded the motion, motion carried.**
- **Town Budget was discussed – we have added some capital funds for the purchase of the repeater and a generator for the administrative building. The Cemetery Fund has the lawn care and repairs to the roads put in that portion of the budget.**
- **Road & Bridge Fund Budget was discussed – the preliminary budget is not finished but Rick Mitton will get to Steve Simpson so he can send an electronic copy to the board members within the next couple of weeks.**

Monthly bills were passed around to the Trustees – Paul Riewerts motioned to accept, Michael OHara seconded, motion carried.

Next Meeting is May 18, 2015 at 6:30pm

Mark Kruckenberg motioned for adjournment, Paul Riewerts seconded, motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.