

**Coe Township
9327 239th Street North
Port Byron, IL 61275
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Town Board Meeting: December 19, 2016

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

Members Absent: None

Guests: Kenny Reveal, Rich Morthland

November Minutes were read by Brenna Francisko – Michael OHara motioned to accept, Betsey Morthland seconded, motion carried.

Visitor Comments: None

Supervisor's Report:

- Received a couple Christmas cards and an invitation for a customer appreciation event hosted by our landscape company – let Steve know if you would like to attend.
- Steve will be gone during the January and February meetings. Mark Kruckenberg will also be gone during the second half of February, so Brenna and Mark will have to decide when to get together to sign checks before he leaves.
- There is one scheduled use of the township hall on January 3rd.
- We just received the suggested Travel Policy from our attorneys. The Board discussed some of the language to be used in the final policy, “Hotel reimbursement not to exceed \$200 unless approved by the Board”, maybe “Meals not to exceed the federal per diem for the location of the meeting”. The board agreed to vote on during the March meeting.
- Need to cut a check to Andrew Kruckenberg for the tower rental where the antenna is located.
- Steve has been working with TOI to get the website working again. It currently only has old information available and none of the recent meeting minutes.

Highway Commissioner's Report:

- Rick spoke with Rock Island County about the shutdown of Highway 84 in 2018. They have already started talking about some of the funds coming to townships also, since most of the locals will not take the alternate route.
- One resident wanted to extend his culvert another 20 feet and is willing to pay for it.
- We had another dumping. Rick spoke with the Rock Island County Sheriff's department. They were able to find information that led to the bank that had foreclosed on the house, who gave the name of the contractor that was hired to remove everything and dispose of it. That contractor was unwilling to name the local company that they subcontracted the work to and was going to pay the fines and reimburse us for the labor and costs to clean up the dumping site.
- Todd Jackson with Canoe Creek wanted to know if we could defer the payment if they acquired the grader. At this time we were not willing to do that since we need the money to complete our agreement with Zuma Township.

Assessor's Report:

- Annie attended an annual meeting where Larry (Supervisor of Assessments) spoke about how we go forward with assessments.

Clerk's Report:

- The annual financial report has been filed with the State of Illinois.

Trustee Report: None

Cemetery Board:

- There was a Cemetery Board meeting earlier this month. The board spoke about raising prices for cemetery lots now that they have received some comparisons. The board plans to meet again to finalize when and how much to raise the price.

Old Business:

- Betsey Morthland motion to accept the Township Levy, Paul Riewerts seconded the motion, motion carried.
- Paul Riewerts motion to accept the Road & Bridge Levy, Mark Kruckenberg seconded the motion, motion carried.

New Business: None

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

Next Meeting is January 16, 2017 at 6:30pm

Michael OHara motioned for adjournment, Paul Riewerts seconded, motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.