

Meeting:	Coe Township Town Board Meeting	Date:	September 18, 2017
Members Present:	Steve Simpson, Rick Mitton, Tim Baldwin, Paul Riewerts, Mark Kruckenberg, Mike Skelton, Ann Tague.	Time Called to Order:	6:30 p.m.
		Time Adjourned:	7:30 p.m.
Visitors:	Ken Reveal, Rich Morthland	Location:	Township Administration Building, 9327 239 th St N. Port Byron, IL 61275
		Recording Clerk:	Betsey Morthland via recording

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Call to Order/Roll Call			
Greeting to Visitors	Public Comments: Rich Morthland reported that the County Board would be discussing the proposed Loud Thunder bonding of \$2 to 5 million for improvements to the campground and for improvement of the dam.		
Approval of Minutes	The minutes from the August meeting were read.	Motion to approve as read by Paul Riewerts Seconded by Mike Skelton.	Minutes were approved unanimously. Motion passed.
Supervisor's Report	Facebook page. Tim worked with Facebook to get access to the "official" page for the township. There is also an "unofficial" page and he inquired as to whether we can combine the two, but that does not appear possible. Someone had also created an official page we had no way to access. We had to prove our ownership to Facebook, which Tim was able to do. Tim now has administrative control of the official page. Tim tried to get FB to eliminate the unofficial page, but they refused. We need to populate the official page so that it will be the first search that pops up. Whoever serves as the administrator will have to connect with Tim as friends so that he can add that person as an administrator. The administrator will have full rights to add and delete items to the page and will also approve new members. Tim suggests we use the page to communicate with residents.		
Highway Commissioner's Report	The road crew took some time off and are now back to work. We have been mowing and trimming for fall. We also patched a few roads		

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	and did some gravel road grating. We spent quite a bit of money this summer. We are going to have to budget for the mower next year. The truck is back after repairs and is in good shape. We have had many positive comments on the roads.		
Assessor's Report	Our township factor is 1.025 for 2016. The factor last year was 1.07. The goal is 1.0. The time frame for appeals is Sept 16-October 16, 2017.		
Clerk's Report	None.		
Cemetery Board's Report	The Board met the 5 th of September and they provided minutes to the Supervisor. They discussed lot pricing compared to other local cemeteries. All State records are updated and all Sexton information is also up to date.		
Unfinished Business	None		
New Business	<p>Township Financial Audit (Simpson)—Steve received the audit report 45 minutes prior to the Township Board meeting. Steve printed a copy; it is about 60 pages. Because of its length, he would like to send the report to the Trustees electronically and have them review it for discussion at the meeting next month. Steve indicated that he skimmed the report quickly and the auditors found no financial discrepancies. One of the areas noted for improvement was that the Treasurer is the sole person who receives, pays, and writes checks, as allowed by statute. The auditors gave kudos to the Board for reviewing and approving payments despite the process outlined in the statute.</p> <p>Purchase of a metal detector (Riewerts)—At the Cemetery Board meeting a motion was approved to improve the accuracy and speed of locating gravesites in both cemeteries. Part of that process includes locating graves with a metal detector. A motion was also passed to purchase a metal detector. Paul contacted Chuck Smalley and he has a used one worth about \$300. Paul asked the Township Trustees</p>		

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	for their approval to spend up to \$250 on a metal detector. Money is in the cemetery budget.		
Approval of Bills/ Expenditures	The Millenium bill situation has been investigated. They lost the check. Next month we will pay \$150 and cancel the previous check. The Mid American bill is running behind because of the billing due date versus the date the township approves and pays bills. Could we make the Mid American bill an auto pay? Steve is going to look at putting Mid American, Mediacom, and Millenium on auto pay because he is going to be gone in January and February.	Motion to pay the bills by Paul Riewerts with corrections. Seconded by Mark Kruckenberg.	Unanimous vote. Motion passed.
Adjournment		Motion by Tim Baldwin. Seconded by Paul Riewerts.	Motion passed. Adjournment at 7:30 pm.
	Next Meeting October 16, 2017		

Note: Old/ New business are voted affairs only. Discussion items are presented under Reports and such, if warranted, may become business items at a following meeting.