

**Minutes of the Regular Athens Town Board Meeting Held
June 5, 2017 at the Town Hall**

Board members present: Jan Palmer, Lyle Reynolds, Dave Beckstrom, Barb Kilpatrick, Treasurer Marlys Balfany, Clerk Diane Carpenter, Staff Jim Braun

Guests: Mike Warring, Diane Bjorklund, Steve Hass, Jim Kilpatrick, Cindy Reynolds, Dave & Darlene Henderson, Ron Schleif, Mike & Sheila Mains.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

M/S Lyle Reynolds/Dave Beckstrom to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2017 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

M/S Barb Kilpatrick/Lyle Reynolds to approve the minutes of the Spring Road Review as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Review Action Items

Action items were reviewed. Remaining was getting quotes for updating the electricity at the town hall. Barb has one quote and we will get more.

Also remaining, Dave will do more research on town hall signs. There was no issued with selling old road signs, according to MAT attorneys.

Approve Agenda

M/S Dave Beckstrom/Lyle Reynolds to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning and Zoning

- Lots of permits this month, including four new houses.
- M/S Jan Palmer/Lyle Reynolds to approve Resolution 2017-01 changing P & Z bylaws to reflect a 5 member board, down from a 7 member board. Motion passed unanimously.
- M/S Barb Kilpatrick/Dave Beckstrom to approve Ordinance 2017-01 which is the fee schedule for 2017. Motion passed unanimously.
- Cleanups- 269th – the county health department is handling the indoor cleanup and has asked the township for help with the outside cleanup. There are 13 dogs there and they have been given 30 days to reduce the number to 3.
- Inspections are up to date.
- Lyle gave a county update.

Roads

- Chris was not at the meeting so Lyle gave the road update.
- Grading and dustcoating were discussed. Steve is working to get dustcoating started as soon as possible.
- Steve Hass gave an update on the repairs to the grader.
- A discussion was held on further grader improvements.
- M/S Jan Palmer/Lyle Reynolds to purchase a right wing for the grader. Motion passed unanimously.
- A discussion was held about grading on weekends. Sometimes it is necessary because of rainfall vs. dry road conditions.
- Paving bids were presented. Lots of errors, Jan will correct and email to everyone.
- A discussion on crack repair was put on hold until next month.
- Dave gave a Hwy 65 update,
No watershed update.

Fire

-The Fire district has applied for some grants to purchase another car for the district.

M/S Jan Palmer/Barb Kilpatrick for John Bartz to replace Jan Palmer on the board and become chair. Motion passed unanimously.

Parks

-The balance in the park fund is 25,288.19.

-Bathrooms are almost complete.

Clerk's Report

-Registrations have been submitted for Summer Short Courses.

-Diane has been working on a recap of cleanup day, which will be completed once we receive the rest of the bills.

-MAT will be conducting an insurance inspection of the facilities to make sure we are properly covered.

Lyle will attend the fire meeting this month until John takes office in July.

M/S Jan Palmer/Barb Kilpatrick to terminate our agreement of employment with Jim Braun. NAC will be our new zoning contractor. Jim will work through his sixty day notice period until 8/4/2017 in a support role to make the transition smooth.

Motion passed unanimously, with Lyle Reynolds abstaining from the vote.

For future cleanup days, we will need to have a price for gas grills.

Treasurer's Report

M/S Barb Kilpatrick/Lyle Reynolds to approve the Treasurer's Report, Claims List for Approval, and Net Pay Account Distribution Report (checks 6063-6101 plus IRS totaling \$21,939.80). Motion passed unanimously.

Barb had new locks and keys done for the town hall.

Mike Warring gave a county update.

M/S Jan Palmer/Barb Kilpatrick to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Carpenter

Athens Township Clerk

Date _____