# Minutes of the Regular Athens Town Board Meeting Held January 7, 2013 at the Town Hall

Board members present: Dave Henderson, John Bartz, Lyle Reynolds, Barb Kilpatrick, David Beckstrom, Treasurer Marlys Balfany, Clerk Diane Carpenter, Staff Jim Braun

Guests: Cindy Reynolds, Steve Balfany, Mike Warring, Kathy Beckstrom, Jacqui Baker, Brian Miller

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was waived as it was recited for the Board of Reorganization.

M/5 John Bartz/Barb Kilpatrick to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2012 meeting as presented · Motion passed unanimously ·

#### **Review Action Items**

Action items were reviewed and discussed· Those remaining were:

-Lyle will research grants available for public access to public recreational facilities.

-Jim will submit an application to the post office for bulk rates on township mailings.

## Approve Agenda

M/S Lyle Reynolds/David Beckstrom to approve the agenda as ammended· Motion passed unanimously·

M/S Barb Kilpatrick/Lyle Reynolds to approve a resolution for David Beckstrom to continue with Sixthweb for the township website· Motion passed unanimously·

## Planning and Zoning

-No permits this month. We had a total of 85 permits in 2012.

-Inspections are up to date.

-The issue with the used car lots should be in court this month.

-We received several complaint letters this month. Jim will be sending out letters to those involved.

-The new town hall computer should be up and running shortly -Carolyn is tabulating the results from the Comp Plan survey -The township is considering sending out a newsletter David Beckstrom will research the cost of doing this

-There was no county update.

-Township engineer Brian Miller spoke about the Parks Roads Projects· Applications must be submitted to the county for grants·

M/S Lyle Reynolds/John Bartz to authorize BDM/MSA to provide the board with a preliminary cost analysis of a project proposal for Polk and 245<sup>th</sup>. Motion passed unanimously. M/S John Bartz/Lyle Reynolds to renew BDM/MSA as the township engineering firm. Motion passed unanimously.

## Roads

-Roads are in good shape for winter

#### Fire

No report.

#### Parks

The balance in the park fund is \$37,889.20. The new park equipment has been ordered and we will decide when it should be shipped. There was no park board meeting in December.

## Clerk's Report

-The Board of Reorganization was published and posted for January 7, 2013. -Reminders were sent to the board. -Spring short courses will be in St. Cloud on March 26<sup>th</sup>. -The Board of Review is set for April 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Treasurer's Report

M/S John Bartz/Lyle Reynolds to approve the Treasurer's Report, Claims List for Approval, and Net Pay Account Distribution Report (checks 4331-4453 plus IRS totaling \$35,978.32). Motion passed unanimously. -Jim & Marlys will research the rates for cell towers, Jim in his county.

-Jim will find out if the clerk needs to be present if there is a quorum of the board  $\cdot$ 

M/5 Lyle Reynolds/Dave Henderson to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM· Motion passed unanimously·

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Carpenter Township Clerk Athens

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