

**Geneva Township
Regular Meeting
December 9, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mills at 7:30pm.

Those present were Mr. Brown, Mr. Mills, Mr. Russell, Fiscal Officer Long, and Zoning Inspector Cerjan.

Minutes from the previous regular meeting were approved, on a Motion by Mr. Brown and a Second by Mr. Russell.

Bills in the amount of \$55,501.61 covered by e-payments 134-146 and Warrants 18277-18323 were approved, on a motion by Mr. Russell and a second by Mr. Brown.

Ms. Kari Wetzel from Connect 534 made a presentation of plans for 2016. The Funding for 2016 would be \$1000.00.

Mr. Cerjan gave the Zoning report. He indicated he had a number of inquiries from Mortgage Companies. Most were about any assessments on the properties. Ron and Bob Russell did attend Zoning classes held at the county. Mr. Tim and Ron Slocum were in attendance in respect to the Fence issue with their neighbor. It was indicated by Mr. Cerjan that he had not received a reply from the Prosecutors Office. The Building Department had put a stop order on the fence since it exceeded 6 foot. Mr. Slocum cited various ORC regulations, and a considerable discussion took place. It was pointed out that nothing in our Zoning text addresses fences. Mr. Russell indicated we would have something in place by our December 28th meeting to get the ball rolling. He also asked Mr. Slocum to put all of his points in a letter to be forwarded to the county for their opinion. Mr. Slocum said it cuts off the view of the area and violates the scenic property issues.

Mr. Brown made a motion to reappoint Valerie Leach and Rick Ardnt to five year terms on the zoning Board. Mr. Mills made the second.

Mr. Russell has done a review of our zoning fees and a Resolution to adopt them has been created.

Mr. Burhenne gave the Road Department report. The outside wall on the Building has been repaired. The tree removal on West Maple should be started soon. Truck is being fixed at Jones, the cost is estimated at \$956.54. Window on the overhead door has been repaired. We have salted the roads once so far this year. The new truck in Jefferson will be picked up on the 10th.

Resolution 2015-08 was passed on a motion by Mr. Russell and a second by Mr. Brown.

Resolution 2015-09 was passed on a motion by Mr. Mills and a second by Mr. Russell.

Resolution 2015-10 was passed on a motion by Mr. Russell and a second by Mr. Brown.

Chief Arkenburg gave the Fire Department report. He reported that a new pump system has been installed in the Bays and it should be operational tomorrow. We might be getting a Grant for equipment. There is a lot of lighting to be done on the apparatus and lines being repaired. The 2016 Budget has been passed by Council. He has also addressed an open burning issue on NRW.

The 2016 Organizational meeting was set for 8:00am on December 28, 2015. A special meeting will follow at 8:30am to address the Zoning Changes for Fences.

On a motion by Mr. Russell and a second by Mr. Brown, the Road Department employees will receive a \$300.00 Bonus.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm and a motion by Mr, Brown and a second by Mr. Russell.

Chairman

Fiscal Officer