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**TOWNSHIP OF WOODHULL**  
Shiawassee County, MI

Regular Meeting  
August 2, 2017  
7:00 p.m.

**Opening**

The regular meeting of the Woodhull Township was called to order at 7 p.m. on August 2, 2017 at Woodhull Twp Hall by Supervisor Nickols.

**Pledge of Allegiance was recited**

**Roll Call**

Trustee Jelenek, Clerk Maize, Supervisor Nickols, Trustee Betts and Treasurer Slee present.

**Recommended Actions:**

- a. **Approval of Agenda** – Trustee Jelenek moved and supported by Trustee Betts to approve the agenda with additions. All ayes and no nays. Motion carried.
- b. **Approval of Meeting Minutes of July 5, 2107** – Clerk Maize moved and supported by Trustee Betts to approve the minutes as written. All ayes and no nays. Motion carried.
- c. **Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of August 1, 2017** – Trustee Jelenek moved and supported by Trustee Betts to approve the special meeting minutes as written. Roll call vote taken. Slee, yes; Betts, yes; Nickols, yes; Maize, yes and Jelenek, yes. All ayes and no nays. Motion carried.

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**Delegation or Visitors:** Mr. Jeff Staley, representative from Maner and Costerisan the Township's audit firm was present to review the 2016-17 audit with the Board. Township is reported to be in good financial status and it was suggested that a policy stating what amount or percentage should be kept in the reserve fund so that in case of emergencies the township would be prepared.

Katie Plashek, R.E.H.S from the Shiawassee County Environmental Health Department was also present and gave a brief introduction and an overview on what the Health Department's function entails.

Caroline Wilson, County Clerk was present and updated the Board on the up and coming election on August 8, 2017 the new election equipment to be implemented and the new issues that are taking place in County Clerk's office.

**Board Comments and Reports:**

- a. **Treasurer Slee** – Financial Report: Slee reported financial update on cash received for the month of July and balance in savings account. Subject to audit.
- b. **Supervisor Nickols** – Reported on the solar energy county survey, grant application workshop, ProLime and introduce the Township's newly hired attorney, Mr. Lynn Bowne.

**Committee Reports:**

- a. **Fire & Ambulance – Fred Kline** Updated the board on the LSW meeting. Total runs for the year: Fire 306 and Ambulance 235 for LSW Emergency Services Authority.
- b. **Park Commission – Connie Henske** Gave an over view of their July 10, 2017 board meeting. Topics discussed included tubing for fence around ballfields, pea stone replacement, purchase of lawn tractor and the repairs to the walking trail and flowers purchased for beautification.

**Public Comments: (3 minutes)**

**Call to Public** was opened at 7:44 p.m. Topics brought forth were the regarding 80/20, thank you for the new well, ProLime, Solar Energy and lawsuit. A statement was read by Supervisor Nickols regarding the lawsuit. Public Statement read: Pam Slee, Treasurer for Woodhull Township and her husband David Slee have chosen to sue Woodhull Township and others seeking money. The Township will vigorously defend against the claims. The Township's insurance company, not the Township is paying for the attorneys who will represent us. Those attorneys have advised and directed us not to discuss any aspect of this lawsuit with anyone and we are following our attorney's advice. Closed at 7:49 p.m.

**Decision Items:**

- a. **Bills-** Trustee Jelenek moved and supported by Treasurer Slee to pay the bills as presented. Roll call vote was taken. Nickols, yes; Betts, yes; Jelenek, yes; Maize, yes and Slee, yes. All ayes and no nays. Motion Carried.
- b. **Special Assessment Ambulance Public Hearings –** Supervisor Nickols set the dates of September 6, 2017 and October 4, 2017 as the dates for the public hearings at 6:30 p.m. Maize moved and supported by Jelenek to move forward with the Ambulance Special Assessment at the dates and times set by Nickols. All ayes and no nays. Motion carried.
- c. **Grant Agreement Resolution to apply for funding for voting system – (14-17)** Slee moved and supported by Jelenek to adopt by resolution to give the Clerk the authority to sign the grant agreement which is the mechanism by which Counties, Cities and Townships apply to the State of Michigan to receive Federal HAVA and State-appropriated funded voting systems, including optical scan tabulators, accessible voting devices and Election Management System (EMS) software, pursuant to the Federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002. All ayes and no nays. Motion carried.
- d. **Approve 2018-19 LSW Emergency Services Budget –** Discussed. Jelenek moved and supported by Slee to approve the LSW Emergency Services Authority 2018-19 proposed budget. Roll call vote was taken. Betts, yes; Slee, yes; Jelenek, yes; Maize, yes and Nickols, yes. All ayes and no nays. Motion carried.
- e. **Transfer of funds for Audit bill –** Discussed. Jelenek moved and supported by Betts to transfer \$3,700 from the Contingency Fund to the Audit Fund to cover the added expenses for this year audit. Roll call vote was taken. Jelenek, yes; Slee, yes; Nickols, yes; Betts, yes and Maize, yes. All ayes and no nays. Motion carried.
- f. **Signature of Waiver –** Discussed. Conflict waiver to be signed. Betts moved and supported by Maize saying that Woodhull Township give authorization to Supervisor Nickols to sign the waiver of any potential conflict of interest in having the law firm of Foster, Swift, Collins and Smith P.C. represent all defendants in this action. Roll call vote was taken. Maize, yes; Nickols, yes; Slee, yes; Jelenek, yes and Betts, yes. All ayes and no nays. Motion carried.



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**Old Business:** Hall foundation. Betts reported that they are still waiting to hear from the gentleman on the clean-up.

**New Business:** – Supervisor Nickols reported that a new Hall Rental Policy will be reviewed by the board members and addressed at next month's meeting.

**Public Comments: (3 minutes)**

**Call to Public** was opened at 8:07 p.m. Topics brought Hall cleaning, Pro Lime, Fire Board policies and procedures and Road policy. Closed at 8:17 p.m.

**Adjournment** – Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Carol Maize, Clerk