**GILFORD TOWNSHIP**

AUGUST 9, 2018

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: D. Strasz, Treasurer; R. Haines, Clerk; J. Stockmeyer, Supervisor; A. Goss, Trustee; K. Houghtaling, Trustee, absent. Order of agenda approved.

**Public Comment:** Nextera Host Community agreement team was introduced by M. Trumbauer.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Motion by A. Goss , second by D. Strasz to approve minutes. Motion approved. Motion by A. Goss, second by D. strasz to approve minutes of Special Meeting dated July 30, 2018. Motion approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Motion by R. Haines, second by J. Stockmeyer to approve Treasurers Report. Motion approved.

**REPORTS:**

**Supervisor:** PA 116 partial termination for 2 acres by D. Ackerman. Resolution offered by J. Stockmeyer, second by A. Goss to adopt partial termination resolution: roll call vote, Strasz, yes; Stockmeyer, yes; Goss, yes; Haines, yes. Resolution adopted. Parcel Division for D. Ackerman parcel # 012-036-000-0300-00. Motion by D. Strasz, second by A. Goss to approve parcel division. Motion approved. “Gilford, Reduced Speed” signs are coming. Decommissioning Agreement and Host Community Agreement. Motion by D. Strasz to accept Decommissioning Agreement and Host Community Agreement pending attorney advisement, second by A. Goss, motion approved. 1 Reese fire run with down wires. Storage building foundation work is done, 2-3 weeks will begin construction. Motion by J. Stockmeyer, second by D. Strasz to appoint D. Spencer to be the new ambulance representative. Motion approved.

**Treasurer:**  Learning new BS&A software.

**Clerk:** Election report. ICX (touch screen) was very popular on election day. Request for 1 additional ICX approved. Need shades/blinds for North windows. Risk Reduction Grant has been approved to partially fund the security camera system. BS&A accounting software is now in use. Motion by J. Stockmeyer, second by D. Strasz to accept pre buy from Fairgrove oil. Motion approved. Motion to pay bills D. Strasz, second by A. Goss to pay bills, motion approved.

**Trustees:** A. Goss reported on MTA conference. Best part was meeting other officials and comparing township procedures. Cemetery conference was informative, cremations, green burials, no state regulations on cremation burials, scattering ashes. “Nightshaders” bury at night recite, from bible until dusk. Need to look at cemetery ordinance regarding burial of pets/animals. Parks/recreation meeting, new director, new plans needed in order to apply for grants.

**Ambulance Representative:** 4 runs in Gilford.

**Fire Department Representative**: Reese fire DTE line problems, FD not being paid for their time. Car show plans, parades in Vassar and Munger. Fund raiser, turnout gear. Fairgrove fire preps for bean fest with doughnut sales, breakfast. 100 women group from Vassar to donate $8900 for turnout gear.

**Zoning Administrator:** MTA zoning meeting was interesting but didn’t cover everything that was advertised. More animal issues in Gilford.

**Public Comment:** Does TWP have ordinance against venomous snakes?

Motion by J. Stockmeyer, second by D. Strasz to adjourn at 9:37 P.M. Motion approved.

Robert L. Haines

Gilford Township Clerk