Loud Township Board Regular Meeting Loud Township Hall 3910 M-33, Atlanta, Michigan 49709

October 16, 2014

Call to order

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Beau Williams-Supervisor.

Members present:

Beau Williams, Kari Klein, Mary Hubbard, Elva Duncan and Bob Hosmer

Minutes Approved from September 18, 2014 -Regular Meeting- Motion made by Elva Duncan, 2nd by Bob Hosmer, carried unanimously.

Beau Williams spoke to audience in regards to public participation during meetings and stated that there are two times available during the meeting for comment and the board welcomes comments during that time.

Public Comments: NONE

<u>Correspondence:</u> Williams stated all current correspondence will be discussed in New Business this month.

<u>Bills To Be Approved:</u> Prepared by Klein (see attached) *Motion made by Bob Hosmer*, 2nd by Mary Hubbard – Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to approve the expenditure of \$12.25 for postage was made by Beau Williams, 2^{nd} by Kari Klein- Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Treasurers Report:</u> Given by Mary Hubbard (see attached)

<u>Audit Report:</u> Bob Carpenter was present and provided the Board with his Audit presentation. His audit for the year ending March 31, 2014 and the F-65 has been completed and submitted to the government.

Other Reports:

<u>Sheriff Department:</u> Deputy Daniel Loder was present; Board commented that no county stats were provided to the clerk for the month. Clerk will follow up with that issue.

Landfill Report: Not in Attendance. Minutes will be emailed to Clerk.

<u>County Road Commission:</u> Ken Werner, Commissioner was present- stated trouble spots on Abbe Road were taken care of and project on Lockwood Lake Road was finished for the time being.

<u>Fireboard Report:</u> Given by Elva Duncan, New Flag Pole is up at hall. Approval for new uniforms for new fire dept. employees was granted. A Halloween Drive-thru event is schedule for area children. The dept. is participating in the Toys for Tots program in November.

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Ambulance Report: Jason Grainger reported that a new EMT was recently hired to the staff. A free CPR training will be occurring in November for those who are interested.

Assessor: Deb Downing gave the Board an update. The bulk of the site visits are completed. Apex sketches will be completed soon. Preliminary data base has been submitted to the Equalizer in September. Downing stated she is hoping that assessment notices can be sent out early to help defer a large BOR meeting- since so many changes have taken place on the townships assessments.

Unfinished Business:

911 signs- Subject will be tabled until the November meeting.

Mileage Reimbursement Policy- Hubbard requested that changes be made to proposed policy. Clerk and Hubbard will work together to make those changes in the document and the policy will be reviewed again in November meeting.

<u>Playground Cover-</u> Hubbard gave board a verbal quote of bid received- Approx. \$1500.00- After discussion, Board decided that this item will be reviewed at the time of the budget discussion for next year April 1st 2015- Mar. 31st 2016 so that funds can be designated.

Snowplowing /Removal Bids for 14-15 season- Two bids were received; Beau Williams and KNK Excavating. Williams withdrew his bid. A motion was made to accept the Bid from KNK Excavating for the 2014-2015 snow season according to the specification sheet. Made by Williams, 2nd by Bob Hosmer-Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Mausoleum Purchase Agreement-</u> Bradley Nicoll provided the Board an estimate for services regarding the review of the agreement. A motion was made to allow expenditure up to \$300.00 for services needed for the agreement. Motion made by: Elva Duncan, 2nd by Mary Hubbard-Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

<u>Limestone Request for Lockwood Lake Road-</u>Board was presented proposals for limestone placement on Lockwood Lake Road. Ken Werner, commissioner stated that an error in presented proposal was present and Board should be getting a new copy. Item is tabled until new copy has been submitted by Road Commission.

<u>DNR Land Trade-</u> A letter requesting any concerns regarding a land parcel trade between the DNR and resident Terry Ward was presented. Klein will be creating a letter from the Board to the DNR stating our concerns over land-locking/easements associated with this parcel trade.

<u>Copier/Scanner/Fax- Great Lakes Office Equipment-</u> Board discussion regarding the need to upgrade current equipment took place. *A motion was made to accept a monthly contract increase*

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of \$5.00 for the rental of upgraded equipment. Motion made by Bob Hosmer, 2nd by Elva Duncan. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Printer for Office-</u> An updated printer is needed for the office in order to print different sized documents for the Elections and Voter files. *A motion was made to accept the purchase of the updated printer at the amount of approx.* \$130.00. Made by Mary Hubbard, 2nd by Elva Duncan. Motion carried unanimously.

Computer Upgrade- Board discussed quote presented by Jim Young for a new office laptop. A need for beginning to replace office equipment in order to stay in correlation with technology and software was also discussed. A motion was made to purchase a new computer for the township at a cost of \$110.000 or less was made by Mary Hubbard, 2nd by Elva Duncan-Motion carried unanimously.

BOR payment for July- Treasurer Mary Hubbard presented the topic of BOR members not being paid for the meeting in July. A motion was made to pay those members the \$35.00 owed-Motion made by Elva Duncan, 2nd by Kari Klein-Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Mr. Danks requested that a "mileage guide" to local destinations be added to the monthly expense sheet for employees- to ease any questions from employees in regards to calculating mileage. He also questioned the townships bidding out process for the items discussed in the meeting. Williams explained the current bid policy to Mr. Danks. Comment was also heard in regards to the Boards Landfill representative. Williams responded that minutes were currently being emailed to the clerk.

Adjournment:

Beau Williams adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m. with no objections.

Submitted by: Kari Klein, Clerk

Approved By: Beau Williams, Supervisor