

**The Hampton Township
Annual Meeting
Minutes
March 10, 2015 8:30 P.M.**

This meeting was called to order by clerk, Jeanne Werner. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was sited. Nominations for the Moderator were open. Bernie Pistner nominated Jeff Werner. **Leo made a motion to close the nominations for moderator, seconded by Bernie Pistner and unanimously passed.**

Jeff Werner read the remaining agenda for the rest of the meeting. Clerk, Jeanne Werner read the minutes from our 2014 Annual Meeting. Bernie made a motion to approve the minutes. Doug questioned the fire Hampton/Randolph Fire District amount. He stated that we have a 3 year contract with them. Bernie rescinded his motion. **Judy Kimmes made a motion to make the change on the fire fund amount to the read Hampton/Randolph and Cannon Falls Fire Department for the amount of \$32,387.35, seconded by Doug Wille and unanimously passed.** Jeff called the motion to approve the minutes. **Joyce Nicolai made a motion to approve the minutes with the change, seconded by Bernie Pistner and unanimously passed.**

The financial report was read by Leo Nicolai. The beginning balance on January 1, 2013 was \$342,022.05 and the ending balance was \$347,942.02 General Fund beginning balance was \$xxxx, expenses were \$64,419.30 with the ending balance of \$193,580.93. Road and Bridge beginning balance was \$135,576.50, expenses \$222,981.18, expenses were \$169,540.32 with the ending balance of \$82,135.64. Beginning balance for the Fire Fund was \$64,936.94, expenses were \$32,602.28, income \$39,890.79 with the ending balance of \$72,225.45. The certificates ending balances are \$20,758.20, \$7000.00 (cemetery CD with interest deposited into the cemetery checkbook with interest earned of \$106.50), and \$46,172.96. Ending balance of the cemetery checkbook is \$1059.51. Leo mentioned that we need to transfer money out of the cemetery checking account and put in the General Fund for the reimbursement of mowing. There is an escrow account from Mid-Contential Communication-Broadband for the amount of \$xxxx. This will be refunded after we get a certificate of completion and then we will inspect our roads and refund the appropriate amount. Leo went to the Hampton/Randolph Fire District dinner and they had it broken down with calls, etc. **Doug Wille made a motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Judy Kimmes and unanimously passed.**

The Road report was discussed. Leo stated that they will be working on the Road on 225th Street. There is a little fixing by 250th by Lee Endres that needs to be fixed up by a few loads of gravel. Joyce Nicolai asked if we can move up the chloride program and not wait so long. Doug stated that we can discuss at our next meeting. Doug stated that we wanted to wait on the chloride until the gravel was put down. Now we just put

the chloride down and then we add chloride on all the new roads. Joyce wanted to see us start the process earlier. Bernie asked if we extended the feet but Jim state that we decided not to do the extension. Leo mention that Don Kimmes wanted to have his ditch cleaned out. The brush is coming back and needs to be address. If we get it early enough, we can do it before the crops are in.

The Board of Supervisors has had their budget and audit meeting. All figures on the clerk's and the treasurer's reports matched. The final reports were present at the meeting for anyone to review. The board of audit meeting was February 4th, 2015.

Waiver of checks was approved. Judy made a motion to approve the final reports presented, seconded by Doug Wille and unanimously passed. Motion carried.

The levies were discussed and decided that there was no need to change them from the previous year.

The General Fund Levy was set at \$70,000. **Judy Kimmes made a motion, seconded by Bernie Pistner to accept the General Fund Levy. It unanimously passed.**

The Road and Bridge Levy were set at \$177,000. **Jim Sipe made a motion, seconded by Judy Kimmes to accept the General Fund Levy. It unanimously passed.**

The Fire Fund was set at \$35,000. **Leo made a motion, seconded by Bernie Pistner to approve the Fire Fund Levy. It unanimously passed.**

Jim Sipe reported on the annual election. There were 13 voters for the Town Supervisor, 12 votes for Doug Wille, 1 write in. There were 14 votes. Leo Nicolai had all 14 votes so will serve as the Treasurer for the next two year term.

General concerns were open. Doug stated that he would like to have thee should discuss the option to have the treasurer position appointed and not elected. Judy stated that we would have to put it on the ballot. Doug was concerned about that position and wanted the treasurer changed to an appointed position. **Doug would like to make a motion to put on next year's annual meeting agenda to have the treasurer's position changed from elected to appointed after the next treasurer's term has been completed and put it on the ballot, seconded by Jim Sipe and unanimously passed. Motion carried.**

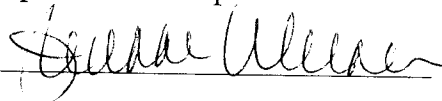
Discussion was made regarding giving the township permission to send flower in a case of a death of a board member.

The Annual Meeting and time was discussed. The meeting will be the 2nd Tuesday of March, 2016 following the election or 8:30, (March 8th, 2016). In case of bad weather, we will reschedule the meeting for the following Tuesday, March 15, 2016 before the regular board meeting. Jim discussed the polls and to see if there was an option to


shorten the election up. Bernie read the Township paper and stated that since we are in the metro county, we need to leave the election from 10 A.M to 8 P.M. **Jim made a motion to have the Township Annual meeting at 8:30 on March 8th, 2016 and in case of bad weather, reschedule it until March 15, before the regular board meeting, seconded by Doug Wille and unanimously passed. Motion carried.**

Bernie Pistner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Doug Wille and unanimously passed. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:21P.M.

Jeanne Werner
Clerk of Hampton Township

Signature:  Date: 3.5.2016

Jeff Werner
Moderator

Signature:  Date: 3-5-2016