

**Nessel Township  
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**MINUTES: 13 December Regular Board meeting  
Presented for approval at January 10 Board Meeting**

December meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by John Sutcliffe with the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisors present include, Michelle Meis, John Sutcliffe, Betsy Rising and Larry Steeves. Also present was Clerk, Stan Iskierka and Treasurer, Mary Dillner. Not present was Branden Mell.

**Agenda (Additions or Changes)**

**Motion** by Meis seconded by Steeves to approve Agenda. Carried.

**Approve Minutes**

**Motion** by Rising seconded by Steeves to approve November Minutes with correction under Open Forum about Cartway. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

**Motion** by Meis seconded by Steeves to approve Treasurer's Report. Carried.

**Bills**

**Motion** by Steeves seconded by Meis to approve paying bills with the addition of a check for \$629.11 for Rush Lake Association. Carried.

- The Board approved payment #1 of \$186,042.36 to Hardrives, Inc. for 88% of the work completed on Belle Isle Dr when they approved paying bills. Hardrives will complete or correct a list of items to be done in the spring.
- Board discussed transferring \$60,000 of the General Fund into the Blacktop Fund. Some of the funds will be used to repair the asphalt on the old part of Belle Isle Road and purchasing a \$60,000 CD. The reason for the excess money in the General Fund was because of the mild winter which required less snowplowing of the roads than what was planned.

**Motion** by Rising seconded by Meis to buy a \$60,000 CD from the General Fund and to transfer \$60,000 from the General Fund to the Blacktop Fund. Approved.

**Firearms Ordinance**

- Sutcliffe stated that Mell will handle the firearms ordinance and they agreed that the preliminary firearms ordinance that was written by two of the residents was well done. Also one of the Board Members saw an ordinance about firearms that was in the paper regarding the town of Harris and Rising will look into the ad to see if it could help us.

**Rush City Fire Dept.**

- Sutcliffe and Rising will meet with the Rush City Fire Dept. later this month.

**Maintenance Report**

- Graded various roads
- Snowplowed and salted roads
- Unplugged culvert
- Sutcliffe stated that the snowplows need shoes because they were scrapping a lot of gravel from the road into the ditches.
- Alpine Ave N has to be plowed passed the cul-ta-sac
- 505<sup>th</sup> St West of Basswood Rd has to be plowed
- Street signs need to be installed at various places

**Belle Isle Service District**

- Larry Steeves suggested that if there are any funds left after paying the Belle Isle SSD Bond that the money should be used in the maintenance repair of Belle Isle Road. Board approved.

**Alpine Ave. North Service District**

- **Special Election** - Iskierka reminded the Board of the Special Election for Alpine Ave N to determine if it will be a Subordinate Service District or not. The election will be held on January 4, 2017 between 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the Town Hall. Sutcliffe, Rising and Iskierka to be at election and the ballots will be counted after 8:00pm. Notices of the election were sent to all Alpine Ave N residents.

**New Business**

- **Brushing** – In the future Sutcliffe wants to place an ad in the paper to notify residents that the Township will be brushing and mowing and if they have a concern to call the Board.
- **Oath of Office** – Betsy Rising and Michelle Meis were re-elected and Tom McKenzie was also elected to replace Larry Steeves and took the Oath of Office on December 13, 2016.

**Motion** by Steeves seconded by Meis to adjourn at 8:05 pm. Carried.

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Chairman

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Clerk

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Date