

**Township of Thetford
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
December 14, 2015
6:30 P.M.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board of Trustees.

There was a moment of silence in observance of all military past, present.

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Pennington at 6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Clerk Pennington, Treasurer Ayotte, Trustee Gunnels, Trustee Cousineau, Trustee Stevens

MEMBERS ABSENT: Supervisor Kerr

STAFF PRESENT: Attorney Robert Swartwood

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Treasurer Ayotte to approve the November 23, 2015 Public Hearing on CDBG as presented. Vote 5-0-1, Abstain Trustee Congdon
Motion Carried.

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Treasurer Ayotte to approve the November 23, 2015 Regular Board of Trustee as presented. Vote 5-0-1, Abstain Trustee Congdon
Motion Carried.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Public comments began at 6:32 p.m. Ended at 6:32 p.m. No comment was received from the public.

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Christmas Wishes and a Happy New Year. Be safe and be alert. From Eileen and Alan

TREASURER REPORT:

End of October book balance is \$111,747.53.

Information only ~ removing special assessment (garbage and public safety) from a demo structure 17-28-100-013

CLERK'S REPORT:

The combination on Precinct 1 and 5 has been approved and we have all new master cards printed and filed and are working on the ID cards. The new precinct is precinct one and the voting location is at Lacure Elementary on Lewis Road.

On December 17th from 4:00 to 8:00, members of the Clio Fire Department will be helping the Salvation Army with their Kettle Campaign at both station 1 and station 2. Pass the word and come and support.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL:

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Trustee Congdon to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call Vote. Vote 6-0 Motion Carried.

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT:

Was presented

COMMITTEE REPORT:

Reports from the following committees were reviewed:

- Fire ~ looking at funding the new fire truck
- Park and Rec ~ if it gets cold they will be flooding the parking lot for an ice rink. Also looking at ways to help with the flooding on the north end

GENERAL BUSINESS:

A): UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1): Rec Hall ~ update on insurance

Clerk Pennington talked to Larry Clever on Wednesday, he said if an agreement is made with the renter, they will take all liability on their own personal insurance with a copy attached to the agreement. Then there would be no extra cost to the township on insurance, but that doesn't mean that the township cannot be sued if an alcohol-related incident took place.

Motion by Treasurer Ayotte, supported by Trustee Gunnels to appoint Trustee Congdon, Trustee Cousineau and Attorney Swartwood to look at an agreement for use of alcohol and liability between the township and renter. Motion Carried

B): NEW BUSINESS:

1): Tax Reverted Properties

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Trustee Congdon not to except the tax reverted property 17-06-300-012, 1087 E Lake Road. Roll Call 6-0 Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Trustee Gunnels not to except the tax reverted property 17-08-100-056, 2154 Byrnes Drive. Roll Call 6-0 Motion Carried

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Trustee Stevens to except the tax reverted property 17-18-576-011, 1279 E Vienna Road. Roll Call 6-0 Motion Carried

Attorney Robert Swartwood informed the board that there is an Option Agreement on this property. He has read over the agreement and as a board you have to honor this agreement. He also said that the seller has a payment agreement according to the option agreement that the seller is willing to hold a land contract with 10% of the face value as a down payment at 7% interest, amortized for Four years with a @2.00 monthly collection fee. Yet we have not seen if there has been any payments made at this time. According to the option agreement the seller has until January 30, 2016. If at that time the agreement of 10% has not been meant then the township will be able to handle it a different way.

Motion by Trustee Cousineau, supported by Trustee Congdon to except the tax reverted property 17-32-100-020, 2080 E Dodge Road. Roll Call 6-0 Motion Carried

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Started at 7:07 p.m, Ended at 7:07 p.m No comment was received from the public.

Board Member Comments were received.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Leanne Pennington, Clerk
Thetford Township