Aetna Township Board Minutes of Meeting Held January 11, 2017

Board Members Present: Jan Eckert, Dee Barringer, Gary Dubridge & Barbie Cornell & Bruce Carey

Public Present: Ray Steinke

Meeting: called to order at 9:00 am. Pledge to flag.

<u>Public Comment</u>: Ray stated that Marilyn Vargo was the new chairman of the Board of Commissioners. Marl Solis is a newly elected member.

Minutes: Motion by Barb to approve the minutes of the November meeting, supported by Jan. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: 8-31-16 General Account Chemical \$ 34.844.04 Savings Acct. Chemical 6,350.04 Brady Lake 2.492.88 CD #12 Mercantile Tax Account \$ 149,147.63 26,586.37 CD #13 Chemical (Roads) 41,158.73 Money Market (Roads) 50,000.68 Total Cash Available \$ 158,939.86

Taxes are steady. Corelogic is in & posted, She is checking into credit/debit cards and also what the school will be doing about 2017 school taxes.

Township Hall: The urinal has been repaired. The biggest problem is the hard water.

Payment of bills: Motion by Barb and supported by Gary to pay the bills as presented.

Budget Adjustment: Budget adjustment to show changes in Road work and also the set up of the new money market account. Motion by Dee, supported by Bruce to accept the budget adjustment as presented. Voice vote: Bruce ves, Dee ves, Barb ves, Garv ves, Jan ves. Motion carried.

<u>Assessor's Report:</u>. Board of Review training on February 11 from 9 til noon at Chippewa Hills, \$50.00 per township. Presented a valuation report on the Aetna Twp hall per request. He indicated that a replacement cost was \$325,979.00 and a depreciated value was \$149,135.00

<u>Fire Department</u>: Discussion indicated that we need to get more information and statistics for the levels of gases in the building. Annual Joint meeting is Wednesday January 18 at 7 pm at Aetna. Barb will bring 2 cakes others will make cookies.

Brady Lake: Gary attended the County Drain Commission meeting and discussed the necessary repairs at the Brady Lake dam. There will research the other options and look at again in the spring. It was indicated that if a complete new dam the county would cover the costs to be paid thru another special assessment.

<u>Cemetery:</u> Dee looked for the plaque at the cemetery for Fred Woolworth and didn't find it. She's to call Linda and see who was supposed to have dropped it off at the cemetery.

Roads: Bruce has talked with Joyce about the possibility of doing some work every year if the county is willing to do a cost share with the township.

Building & Zoning:

Insurance: Dee has insurance renewal information from Behrens, Hendricks, & Stites. Get a new quote from them and also contact Ken Lind for a quote from him.

<u>Wages:</u> Discussed the wages for the elected officials. Dee and Jan are both considering asking for increases but do not know who much yet.

Motion by Bruce, supported by Dee to increase the wages of the trustees to \$2,000.00 per year. Voice vote: Bruce yes, Dee yes, Jan yes, Barbie yes, Gary yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bruce, supported by Barb to increase the wages for the Treasurer to \$14,000.00 per year and the clerk to \$15,000.00 per year. Voice vote: Bruce yes, Barb yes, Gary yes, Jan yes, Dee yes. Motion carried.

<u>Meeting times:</u> discussed changing back to all night meetings and everyone was in agreement to change that at the annual meeting.

Next Meeting February 8, 2017 at 9:00 am.

Adjournment: Bruce declared meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.