IMLAY TOWNSHIP BOARD WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES January 4, 2017 - 7:30PM

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Supervisor Steve Hoeksema, Clerk Liz Makedonsky, Treasurer Melanie

Priehs, Trustee Carla Jepsen

Members Absent: Trustee Michael Guerin

Others Present: None

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Steve Hoeksema called the meeting to order at 7:31pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Hoeksema, at the request of Treasurer Priehs, added Action Item #7 - Recycling *Dumpster* the agenda. Clerk Makedonsky moved to approve the agenda as amended; Treasurer Priehs supported. **Motion carried.**

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

None

ACTION ITEMS

- MTA Conference Registration is OPEN!. Discussion held. Board members are
 encouraged to contact Clerk Makedonsky by Wednesday, January 18th, 2017 with their
 reservation and registration requests. Clerk Makedonsky made a motion to cover expenses
 for Township Board members and their spouses who plan to attend; supported by Treasurer
 Priehs. Motion carried.
- 2. Cemetery Burials Two quotes were received for burial services in the Township Cemetery. After extensively reviewing both quotes Treasurer Priehs made a motion to hire Yard Services, Inc. to dig the graves in the Township Cemetery with a 1-Year Contract to expire January 31, 2018; supported by Trustee Jepsen. Motion carried.
- 3. Salary Resolutions Discussion was held in regard to the 2017-2018 FY Budget Salary Resolutions for Township Board members, specifically the salary of Township Trustees. An idea was presented to change the Trustee pay to a *per meeting* salary as opposed to an *annual* salary. Concerns arose regarding the legality of this change since it could lower a Trustee's salary, which cannot be done inside an elected official's term. Clerk Makedonsky was advised to contact Township Attorney Michael Gildner to review this with him. Clerk Makedonsky will also bring the Salary Resolutions to the Regular Board meeting on January 18, 2017. *Update: Attorney Gildner advises the Township Board against this change in salary*.
- 4. Park Updates/Park Manager Discussion held and updates given.
- 5. Computer Network Discussion held.
- **6. 997 N. Van Dyke Trailer Update** Supervisor Hoeksema updated the Board, stating a letter was received from the property owner giving permission for the Township to remove the trailer if it is not removed by January 15, 2017. Ordinance Official Mike Gepfrey has coordinated the removal of the trailer.
- 7. Recycling Dumpster Treasurer Priehs stated the recycling dumpster filled up in 5 days. Budget will need to be adjusted to cover the additional expenses for the high usage of the recycling dumpster.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING None

ANNOUNCEMENTS None

ADJOURN

Supervisor Hoeksema declared the meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Elizabeth Makedonsky, Clerk