

**SOUTH HAVEN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2015**

Present: Kiry, Jessup, Dopp, Fisher, and Bertorelli.

Absent: Stein and DeGrandchamp

Meeting was called to order by Trustee Dopp at 7:30 p.m.

August 12, 2015 minutes were accepted as presented.

Natalie Thompson from the South Haven Police Department was in attendance to give a report, as was Mike Henry, Van Buren County Commissioner.

The Township Hall offices reported that there was no update on the Lake Bluff Motel lawsuit appeal.

The Township Office has not yet heard from the Van Buren County Drain Commissioner on its request to investigate issues behind the bowling alley, even though a follow up request had been made.

Motion by Kiry, supported by Fisher, to open the public hearing to set the fire millage rate. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Facts and figures were presented that showed the total needed for fire and ambulance expenses in the 2016 budget and the Townships current taxable value.

Motion by Bertorelli, supported by Fisher, to close the public hearing. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Dopp, supported by Bertorelli, to set the fire millage at 2.63 mils. All voted in favor by roll call vote. Motion carried.

Motion by Jessup, supported by Bertorelli, to set a Public Hearing for purposes of adopting the 2016 Budget at the next Township Board meeting on October 14, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Kiry, supported by Jessup, to authorize the Township Supervisor to sign the Mitchell Trailer Park recommendation to the State for renewal of their license. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Kiry, supported by Fisher, to honor Trustee Dopp with a certificate of appreciation for his services to the Township as Township Trustee. September 9th was his last meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Reports from various committees and authorities were received. Jean Stein and W.C. Askew were present to report for the Library and Road Commission.

Residents from the Deerlick Park neighborhood were in attendance and spoke during the Park Committee report period. Residents were updated on the Township's current investigation into their concerns. Photographs were provided by residents. Currently deBest, Inc. is on the calendar to do some repairs on the erosion.

Motion by Fisher, supported by Bertorelli, to approve payment of anticipated bills in the amount of \$47,084.54. All voted in favor by roll call. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Brenda Bertorelli, Clerk

Ross Stein, Supervisor