

**COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 18TH 2015 7:00PM**

A meeting of the Columbia Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Larry Burgett. Present were: L. Burgett, K. Curtis, R. Hurley and J. Huizenga. Roll call was taken. 16 Citizens were present.

TREASURERS REPORT:

General	\$172,009.06	Road Fund	\$356,644.19
Fire Fund	\$275,089.39	Ambulance Fund	\$88,004.96
Trust and Agency	\$2,828.60	Tax Fund	\$81,291.15
Liquor	\$3,922.64	House Fund	\$49,105.12
Police Fund	\$180,679.95	Saddle Lake Fund	\$24,066.73
North Lake Fund	\$8,843.14		

CONSENT AGENDA: Regular meeting minutes: 7-21-15; Special meeting minutes: None. Invoices thru 8-18-15 and treasurers report. Motion by Curtis and seconded by Hurley to the approve consent agenda. Motion carried.

CLERKS REPORT: No report.

GUEST SPEAKER: R. Krieger

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dave Pabis the townships electrical inspector has passed away.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA: Add as #5 on agenda new business tree removal bids for Thompson Cemetery. Motion by Curtis seconded by Huizenga.

SUPERVISOR: Seal coating has been done.

ASSESSOR: None

FIRE CHIEF: Call fire department if you will be burning large debris piles leave message of address of burn 269-434-6266. Month of July; 5 structure fires; 1 @ South Haven; 1 vehicle accidents. 1 smoke detector activation, no fire. 1 lift assist to EMS. When leaving your home remember to shut off all appliances and fans unplug things that you are not using on a regular basis, it also helps to shut your interior doors as to help a fire not to spread as fast. Never feel bad about calling 911.

POLICE: 18 general assist; 3 Breaking & entering; 8 alarms; 10 accidents, 2 fire assists; 6 animal complaints; 3 disturbing the peace.

COUNTY COMM: No report.

PLANNING COMMISSION: The master plan and zoning ordinance is on the web site.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: Please come to the monthly meetings so that we can inform YOU. Forms are available now if you are leaving town and would like a house check done by Deputy. Next meeting is September 3rd.

HOSPITAL: Volunteers are still needed call 269-637-5271. The SHHS has 8 new providers. SHHS was rated 5 five star by the Hospital Consumer Assessment Systems.

SENIOR SERVICES: Dean has had his interview with SS and will have a report next month. Senior night at Columbia Township; receive a **FREE** meal by Senior Services once a month. Senior City in South Haven

also offers a **FREE** meal once a month. Activities available at Senior City are: Tai Chi, Hand Chimes, Computer lessons, Pickle ball, Card games, Line Dancing, call 269-637-3607 for more information.

CEMETERY: The committee will meet to discuss clean up in the cemeteries.

BALL FIELD: The ball field is being used again tonight by the church leagues.

ZONING:

LAWSUIT: No report.

FOIA REPORT: No report.

CORRESPONDENSE: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) Motion by Curtis seconded by Burgett to approve Resolution 2015-18 State Tax Commission. Motion carried.
- 2.) Motion by Curtis seconded by Huizenga to approve Resolution 2015-19 as accepting Silver/Saddle Road as a county local road. Motion carried.
- 3.) Motion by Huizenga seconded by Hurley to add K. Gasper as deputy cemetery sexton. Motion carried.
- 4.) Motion by Hurley seconded by Huizenga to accept Deputy clerk resignation letter. Motion carried.
- 5.) Motion by Huizenga seconded by Hurley to table bids for tree removal Thompson Cemetery. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

BOARD COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Huizenga seconded by Curtis. Time 7:42 pm

Larry Burgett, Supervisor
Stacey Corke, Clerk