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****UNAPPROVED****

MINUTES: December 8, 2011 – 7:00pm

Supervisor Darwin Denslow called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with the pledge to the flag. Roll call shows present Darwin Denslow, Ginger Sherman, Shirley Sprague, Audrey Dubois and Nora Quisenberry. Also present 10 visitors.

Additions to the agenda: none.

Minutes: The regular meeting minutes from October 13, 2011 were presented as written; Motion by Darwin, seconded by Audrey to approve the minutes as presented. Motion Carried. The regular meeting minutes from November 10, 2011 were presented as written; Motion by Darwin, seconded by Shirley to approve the minutes as presented. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Strong Cemetery Drive way gravel at bottom of hill.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer shows a balance of \$117,825.45 in the general fund account and a CD worth \$60,000. Treasurer's report for Winchester Subdivision Special Assessment Account \$420.59. Treasurer's report for Lackies Birch Haven #1, 2, 3, & 7 Special Assessment account balance shows \$1097.74. Motion was made by Ginger, seconded by Nora to accept all treasurers' reports as presented. Motion carried.

Questions to the Treasurer: About when the CD renews? What the interest rates are for CDs? Shirley to get more information to us for next meeting.

Presentation of the Bills: Checks #8820 thru 8833 and EFTs for 941 payroll taxes and for Verizon accounts were presented for the General Fund account totaling \$7381.28. Two checks were presented for Winchester Sub Special Assessment account in the amount of \$158.57. Two checks were presented for Lackies Special Assessment account in the amount of \$273.50. Motion was made by Darwin, seconded by Nora to pay all the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Assessor's Report: Assessor Judy McNatt had a detailed sales report and listing of permits available to all; she also gave a verbal report keeping us up to date on what she is doing to update and maintain our records. Motion by Ginger, seconded by Shirley to accept the assessor's report as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Reviewed and noted important facts within: MTA taxes, Commissioners Minutes, Planning Commission Minutes, and Sheriffs Statistics Report. Copies were also available for the public to review. Tax Foreclosure information was moved to new business.

Old Business: Strategic planning focuses was this past month: Have Prosecuting Attorney Attend either January or February 2012 township meeting.

Green Drain Update: Written report was read aloud.

New Business: Preventative Maintenance Agreement for Optech Insight (voting machine) Agree to Premier FULL service agreement due to having 3 elections this year.

Contract with CHSD to collect school summer taxes for them. Motion by Nora to sign contract, seconded by Darwin. Motion carried.

Tax Foreclosure properties to be turned over to the township due to state law. Audrey made a motion to object to the state transferring the properties to the township due to liabilities. Motion seconded by Darwin. Motion carried. Ginger to write a letter prior to December 31, 2011 to let them know we are not interested in owning the properties.

Public Comment: Nola noted that she thought the township should consider voting down the annual 3-4% cost of living pay increase to township official's salaries this year due to economic conditions.

Board Comment: Thank you to Jackie Brillhart for the donated American Flag for the Township Hall.

Adjourn: Motion by Ginger to adjourn meeting at 8:11pm, Seconded by Darwin. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

Written By: *Ginger Sherman, Clerk*
Ginger Sherman, Sheridan Township Clerk Dated: December 14, 2011