

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**March 11, 2008**

The meeting of the Newton Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 2008. Those in attendance were Adams, Aldrich, Clutter, Radcliff, and Laupp.

The agenda was approved.

**Public Comment:**

**Minutes:** Motion by Radcliff/Clutter to accept the minutes of the February 12, 2008 meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion by Clutter/Radcliff to approve payment of the Community Building utility bills as they are due to be paid, and research and set up on line payments.

**CARRIED**

Receipts for February totaled \$7,092.22 less WEB page \$19.95 and Federal Withholding of \$3,918.27. Total disbursements totaled \$31,002.21. Cash on Hand balance is \$308,233.16. Motion by Radcliff/Laupp to accept the Treasurer's Report.

**CARRIED**

Julie Camp addressed the board and residents with information on her running for County Commissioner.

Mike Oursler and Travis Morse from Raymond James Associates Inc. addressed the board and attending residents with information on their Investment Planning Team.

William Thick, a Certified Financial Planner, addressed the board and attending residents with his information on investments.

Jonathan Sanborn from Edward Jones addressed the board and attending residents with information on their investment company.

**AMSA Report:** There was discussion on the Township needing more individuals to attend the AMSA meetings.

**Assessors Report:** The Board of Review will meet again tomorrow for assessment discrepancies.

**Cemetery Report:** Due to the lack of time, discussion on the Cemetery Ordinance will be tabled until next meeting.

**Community Building:** Any volunteers that would like to help do some cleaning in the basement vault are welcome this Saturday at 1:00pm.

**Fire Department Report:** The Dept. responded to 13 calls in the month of February – 2 wires down, 4 mutual aid, and 7 medical.

A request to add David Lawson to the Fire Department. Motion by Clutter/Laupp to approve the request.

**CARRIED**

**A request to upgrade the electrical for the Community Building by replacing the 30amp electrical panel with a 100amp electrical panel. Motion by Clutter/Laupp to approve the request.**

**CARRIED**

**A request to add a new position of Firefighter Assistant to the department, and the Chief read the job description. Motion by Clutter/Radcliff to add the new position to the department. Roll call vote requested: Laupp-aye, Aldrich-aye, Adams-aye, Radcliff-aye, Clutter-aye.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion by Clutter/Laupp for the pay rate for the new position of Firefighter Assistant be 80% of a Firefighters pay effective 3/12/08.**

**CARRIED**

**New Business: The Plumbing/Mechanical Inspector position will be open. Anyone interested please submit a letter of interest to the Supervisor.**

**Old Business: The Policy and Procedure Manual is 20 some years old and the board is reviewing and updating during a workshop, the first Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm.**

**Planning Report:**

**Roads Report: Please call 781-9841 to report any pot-holes.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm.**

**Mary Aldrich, Newton Township Clerk**