Approved as presented 4-3-2017

1009 Marshall Rd. COLDWATER, MI March 6, 2017 REGULAR MEETING

Supervisor Gene Easterday called the meeting to order @ 7:00 P.M. Board members in attendance were Supervisor Gene Easterday, Clerk Kathy Weigt, Treasurer Julie Waterbury, Trustee Candy Cox, Trustee George Baker. Note: Approx. 15 public attendees.

Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions to the agenda: Under New Business- Adoption of the Amended 2016-2017 Budget

Motion made by Supervisor Gene Easterday to approve the February 6, 2017 with a correction pertaining to the Baker's Lawn Care contract renewal. The date should be April 1, 2017 not March 1, 2017. Supported by Trustee George Baker. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Motion by Supervisor Gene Easterday, supported by Trustee Candy Cox to pay the Bills Due. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Motion by Treasurer Julie Waterbury to place the financial report on file as presented, supported by Clerk Kathy Weigt. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Treasurer Julie Waterbury reported the Winter Taxes have been collected. She will settle with the County sometime this month.

New Business: The Board received 3 bids for the upcoming renewal of the (30) acre farmland owned by Girard Township. Treasurer Julie Waterbury made a motion to award the bid to Moore Farms with the high bid of \$187(Per acre). With no support the motion died. Supervisor Gene Easterday asked for any discussion. Derek Moore was asked by the board; if he received a copy of the Lease Terms and if his bid was based on those terms. He responded with a yes. Clerk Kathy Weigt resubmitted a motion to award the bid to Moore Farms. Support came from Treasurer Julie Waterbury. Roll Call Vote Supervisor Gene Easterday-Yes, Treasurer Julie Waterbury- Yes, Clerk Kathy Weigt- Yes, Trustees Candy Cox and George Baker- Yes. Motion Carried. Moore Farms agree to follow the guide lines Girard Township will have in their Lease Agreement Contract. Both parties will come together to finalize the paperwork.

Supervisor Gene Easterday made a motion to approve the Election Equipment Grant Resolution with the State as presented for the purchase of new voting equipment. Supported by Trustee George Baker. Motion Carried with a Roll Call Vote of 5 Ayes, 0 Nay, and 0 abstain. There will be no cost to the township for the initial purchase price. Years 6-10 annual fees for extended service and maintenance will be \$615 per yr..

Trustee Candy Cox made a motion to renew the existing lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for another 60 months. Supported by Treasurer Julie Waterbury. Motion Carried 5 Ayes, 0 Nay. Pitney Bowes provides our postage meter equipment.

Trustee Julie Waterbury made a motion to adopt the Amended 2016-2017 Budget. Supported by Supervisor Gene Easterday. Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote- 5 Ayes, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain.

**Supervisor Gene Easterday** reported: Special Assessment Doves Landing will seek a bond through a bonding attorney for the purpose of paving their private road.

**Assessor Marcia Bail reported:** Marcia was absent but relayed to Supervisor Gene Easterday the following:

State of Michigan accepted the letter of intent to correct the deficiencies noted in the 2016 AMAR Review. Marcia wrote; when doing inspections, A notation of the type of driveway will be included.

**Zoning Report**: Administrator Jim Webb is working with residents in the Hawley drive area regarding possible blight.

Sextons Report: Sold one burial plot

Supervisor Gene Easterday made the motion to adjourn. Trustee George Baker and Candy Cox supported.

Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

