

Minutes  
Deerwood Township Annual Meeting  
March 8, 2016

Board of Supervisors:

Mike Brandt - Chair

Josh Thompson- Vice Chair

Jerry Bohnsack - Supervisor

Clerk - Judy Hamilton

Treasurer - Amy Donovan

Road Overseer - Steve Reilly

Clerk Judy Hamilton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

Present: James Rude, Duane Swanson, Dennis Graff, Ronald Kretlow, Fred Tessmer, Mike Brandt, Josh Thompson and David Gray.

Josh Thompson nominated Dave Gray as moderator. Dennis Graff seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the 2015 Annual Meeting. Mike Brandt made the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

Financial statements were reviewed, and accepted. Mike Brandt made a motion to accept the cash control statement, and Josh Thompson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Dennis Graff made a motion to approve the Board's recommendation to increase the levy for 2017 from \$384,000.00 to \$400,000.00, with the General Fund at \$40,000.00, Fire Fund \$53,000.00, Town Hall Fund \$24,000.00, and Road and Bridge Fund \$283,000.00. With a second by Jim Rude, the motion passed unanimously.

Considering donation requests, Josh Thompson made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the Deerwood First Responders, and nothing to any other organizations. Fred Tessmer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Thompson made a motion to hold the next Annual Meeting at 7:00 p.m., on the second Tuesday of March, 2017, at the Township Hall. Brandt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Dennis Graff suggested the Board of Supervisors should change from four year terms to six. It was the consensus of the group that a six year term is too long.

Graff then made a motion to have the Board look into adding two more Supervisors. Josh Thompson said he would like to see more people become informed of the issue before addressing it. After discussion, Graff withdrew his motion, and Fred Tessmer made a motion to request that the Board appoint a Supervisor and 3 townspeople to investigate the feasibility of a five member Board, and to make a recommendation to the Board in 90 days. He would then ask the Board to make that recommendation at the Annual Meeting in 2017. Thompson seconded that motion, which passed.

Thompson made a motion to adjourn at 7:45. Tessmer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hamilton  
Clerk