

Supervisor Forbes called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

A prayer by led by Clerk Clinesmith
The pledge was led by Supervisor Forbes.

Roll Call:

Present: John Stack, Michael Clinesmith, Bob Forbes, Sam Tester, Bill Gray

Budget Workshop:

The township board discussed the budget line by line.

Meeting recessed 11:10am

Meeting called to order 11:17am

Meeting recessed 1:44pm

Meeting called to order 1:50pm

Several items mentioned were the need to bill other township for the attorney costs for the fire contract; a request to look for a resolution on the use of the gravel moneys fund; the need to put performance bonds into the budget; the Planning Commission's request for a raise in the budget; and correcting check numbers in Sage. There was also discussion of salaries and the secretary position.

Motion by Forbes, seconded by Tester to hire a secretary on a trial basis for \$5,000/year with a 6-month trial.

Vote 2-3, MOTION FAILED.

Salary Resolutions:

RESOLUTION #08-2015 TO ESTABLISH SUPERVISOR SALARY

WHEREAS, MCL 41.95 authorizes the township board of Vassar Township to determine the salaries for the office of supervisor for fiscal year 2015-2016 by adopting a resolution at least 30 days prior to the township annual meeting of the electors, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of supervisor is warranted in consideration of adjustments in the cost of living and responsibilities of the supervisor

_____ since township board members' salaries were last adjusted, now

BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 14, 2015, the salary of the office of supervisor shall be as follows:

Supervisor: \$12,000 salary

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the annual meeting to be held on June 27, 2015, at which time the electors may modify these amounts. Pursuant to MCL 41.95(7), such modification(s) that may be made

by the electors cannot result in a reduction of salary during an official's term of office unless the responsibilities and requirements of that office are diminished, and the official agrees in writing to that reduction. In the event that the electors fail to act on this resolution, the officer shall be entitled to the salary as established in this resolution, in accordance with state law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution, adopted on May 15, 2015, is properly adopted by the Vassar Township Board at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting, as required by law.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Michael Clinesmith and supported by Board Member Sam Tester.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted

“Aye” (3):	Tester, Clinesmith, Forbes
“Nay” (2):	Stack, Gray

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION #09-2015 TO ESTABLISH TREASURER SALARY

WHEREAS, MCL 41.95 authorizes the township board of Vassar Township to determine the salaries for the office of Treasurer for fiscal year 2015-2016 by adopting a resolution at least 30 days prior to the township annual meeting of the electors, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of Treasurer is warranted in consideration of adjustments in the cost of living and responsibilities of the Treasurer
_____ since township board members' salaries were last adjusted, now

BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 14, 2015, the salary of the office of Treasurer shall be as follows:

Treasurer: \$12,000 salary

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the annual meeting to be held on June 27, 2015, at which time the electors may modify these amounts. Pursuant to MCL 41.95(7), such modification(s) that may be made by the electors cannot result in a reduction of salary during an official's term of office unless the responsibilities and requirements of that office are diminished, and the official agrees in writing to that reduction. In the event that the electors fail to act on this resolution, the officer shall be entitled to the salary as established in this resolution, in accordance with state law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution, adopted on May 15, 2015, is properly adopted by the Vassar Township Board at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting, as required by law.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Michael Clinesmith and supported by Board Member Bob Forbes.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted

“Aye” (3): Forbes, Clinesmith, Tester

“Nay” (2): Stack, Gray

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION #10-2015 TO ESTABLISH CLERK SALARY

WHEREAS, MCL 41.95 authorizes the township board of Vassar Township to determine the salaries for the office of Clerk for fiscal year 2015-2016 by adopting a resolution at least 30 days prior to the township annual meeting of the electors, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of Clerk is warranted in consideration of adjustments in the cost of living and responsibilities of the Clerk since township board members' salaries were last adjusted, now

BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 14, 2015, the salary of the office of Clerk shall be as follows:

Clerk: \$12,000 salary

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the annual meeting to be held on June 27, 2015, at which time the electors may modify these amounts. Pursuant to MCL 41.95(7), such modification(s) that may be made by the electors cannot result in a reduction of salary during an official's term of office unless the responsibilities and requirements of that office are diminished, and the official agrees in writing to that reduction. In the event that the electors fail to act on this resolution, the officer shall be entitled to the salary as established in this resolution, in accordance with state law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution, adopted on May 15, 2015, is properly adopted by the Vassar Township Board at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting, as required by law.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Michael Clinesmith and supported by Board Member Bob Forbes.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted

“Aye” (3): Clinesmith, Forbes, Tester

“Nay” (2): Gray, Stack

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION #11-2015 TO ESTABLISH TRUSTEE SALARY

WHEREAS, MCL 41.95 authorizes the township board of Vassar Township to determine the salaries for the office of Trustee for fiscal year 2015-2016 by adopting a resolution at least 30 days prior to the township annual meeting of the electors, and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of Trustee is warranted in consideration of adjustments in the cost of living and responsibilities of the Trustee

_____ since township board members' salaries were last adjusted, now

BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 14, 2015, the salary of the office of Trustee shall be as follows:

Trustee: \$2,145.00 salary

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be submitted to the electors at the annual meeting to be held on June 27, 2015, at which time the electors may modify these amounts. Pursuant to MCL 41.95(7), such modification(s) that may be made by the electors cannot result in a reduction of salary during an official's term of office unless the responsibilities and requirements of that office are diminished, and the official agrees in writing to that reduction. In the event that the electors fail to act on this resolution, the officer shall be entitled to the salary as established in this resolution, in accordance with state law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution, adopted on May 15, 2015, is properly adopted by the Vassar Township Board at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting, as required by law.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Michael Clinesmith and supported by Board Member Bob Forbes.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted	“Aye” (4):	Tester, Forbes, Clinesmith Stack
	“Nay” (1):	Gray

The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

Public Comment:

None

Motion by Gray, seconded by Tester to adjourn.

Vote 5-0, MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20pm.

Minutes prepared by Clerk Clinesmith.

Vassar Township Clerk

Vassar Township Supervisor