

Supervisor Forbes called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.  
The pledge was led by Supervisor Forbes.

**Roll Call:**

Present: John Stack, Michael Clinesmith, Bob Forbes, Sam Tester, Bill Gray  
Absent: None

**Minutes:**

Motion by Gray, seconded by Tester to approve the September 13, 2016 regular meeting minutes as written.

Vote 5-0, MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Gray, seconded by Tester to amend the approved motion to approve the minutes with changing “that” to “a” in the sentence on page 1 on postponing approval of the minutes, changing “for” to “from” in the motion on page 2 on Thumb Office Supplies, and including “Michael’s two-day” before “rule” in Ben Partridge’s comment on page 3.

Vote 4-1, MOTION CARRIED.

Michael Clinesmith read a paragraph from MCL 15.269 which stated the time to do the minutes was in business days, not calendar days.

Motion by Tester, seconded by Forbes to approve the September 15, 2016 special meeting minutes as written.

Vote 4-1, MOTION CARRIED.

**Reports:**

**Treasurer’s Report by John Stack:**

Treasurer’s Report presented and filed with the Clerk.

Motion by Clinesmith, seconded by Forbes to approve the October 2016 payables, in the amount of \$18,575.87.

Vote 5-0, MOTION CARRIED.

Zoning Report by Curtis Pennell was filed with the Clerk.

No Assessor’s Report

Fire Run Report by Michael Clinesmith was filed with the Clerk.

**Library Report by Onna Clinesmith:**

The owner of Candyland will be at the library on October 13, programs for seniors will be October 20, a Halloween party on October 27, October 15 there will be a Star Wars program, then a Halloween comedy. The auction will be November 5 and Turkeyville trip is December 9, there is also a paranormal investigator coming in October.

Trustee Report by Bill Gray was filed with the Clerk.

**Guest Speaker:**

**Sheriff Contract:**

Lee Teschendorf was present to explain the sheriff’s contract.

**RESOLUTION 25-2016:** To approve the Tuscola County Sheriff's Office contract for 2017

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Vassar Township Board of Trustees approve the Tuscola County Sheriff's Office contract for 2017.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Bob Forbes and supported by Board Member Sam Tester.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted

**"Aye" ( 5 ):      **Tester, Stack, Clinesmith  
Forbes, Gray****

**"Nay" ( 0 ):      *None***

The Clerk declared the resolution adopted.

Forbes stated he would like to invite Glen Skrent to a Board meeting to introduce himself.

Recess at 7:53pm.

Meeting called to order 8:02pm.

Orville Hartung:

Hartung passed out papers to the audience and Board and claimed Michael Clinesmith was acting out of revenge against him not appointing him as co-chair and receiving board member. Clinesmith read a definition of intimidation and stated he had concerns about Hartung's actions and believed Hartung was trying to intimidate Clinesmith, and that Clinesmith had a responsibility to the voters.

There was a lot of crosstalk between the audience and Board members. A paper was passed out by Onna Clinesmith with a definition of intimidation to Board members.

Sam Tester:

Tester expressed concerns about things being made public on Facebook and recommended dismantling the Township website.

There were numerous comments on this from the public and Board.

**New Business:**

Secretary receiving cash (not bonded):

Forbes said the secretaries received a receipt book from Clinesmith. There was a FOIA that Kendall Woodruff had to collect. There was concern about the secretaries receiving money without being bonded. Woodruff stated he ordered the receipt book. Forbes said he would appoint Clinesmith to investigate the matter.

Campaigning at Township Hall:

A letter was passed out to the public showing Forbes ordering campaign signs at the Township Hall. There was a lot of discussion on this.

Motion by Stack, seconded by Clinesmith that as a Board, add to our policy and procedures manual on the proper way of people to use the Township equipment when open, after hours and during elections.

Vote 4-1, MOTION CARRIED.

Planning Commission Appointments:

Motion by Clinesmith to not make any appointments until the December 2016 meeting.  
Motion did not receive a second.

People that applied for the position were Erica Aymer, Bob Reil, Don Clinesmith, Jerry Dutcher and Janice Zawol.

Recess at 9:28pm to make copies of the applications for the Board members and to check the policy manual on if applications were to be filed with the Clerk.

Called to order at 9:38pm.

Motion by Forbes, seconded by Tester to appoint Erica Aymer to the Planning commission for term expiring October 2019.

Clinesmith requested a roll call.

Roll Call: Forbes – Yes, Gray – Yes, Clinesmith – No, Stack – Yes, Tester – Yes.

Vote 4-1, MOTION CARRIED.

Clinesmith expressed concerns about the appointment process.

Motion by Forbes, seconded by Tester to appoint Bob Reil to the Planning Commission for term expiring October 2019.

Clinesmith requested a roll call.

Roll Call: Stack – Yes, Clinesmith – No, Forbes – Yes, Gray – Yes, Tester – Yes.

Vote 4-1, MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Clinesmith to thank Donald Clinesmith and Janice Zawol for their service on the Planning Commission.

Motion did not receive a second.

ZBA Appointments:

Motion by Forbes to appoint Janice Zawol, Grace Proffer and Ben Partridge to the ZBA.

Motion did not receive a second.

There was discussion about the ZBA positions.

Motion by Forbes, seconded by Tester that Grace Proffer and Danielle Zuzula be appointed as alternates to the ZBA and Janice Zawol and Ben Partridge be appointed as regular members of the ZBA, all terms expiring October 2019.

Clinesmith requested a roll call.

Roll Call: Clinesmith – No, Tester – Yes, Stack – Yes, Gray – Yes, Forbes - Yes

Vote 4-1, MOTION CARRIED.

**Public Comment:**

There were multiple comments from Bruce Foether, Bob Forbes, Michael Clinesmith, Ben Partridge, Curtis Pennell, Erica Aymer, Nancy Zuzula's son-in-law and Janice Zawol.

Motion by Gray, seconded by Tester to adjourn.

Vote 5-0, MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting Adjourned at (*amend*) 10:45 pm 9:00pm.

Minutes prepared by Clerk Clinesmith.

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Vassar Township Clerk

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Vassar Township Supervisor



America's Federal Government says this is not voter intimidation.

Webster's Dictionary Definitions Voter - One who votes; one who has a legal right to vote, or give his suffrage; an elector; a suffragist; as, an independent voter.

Intimidation – The act of making timid or fearful or of deterring by threats; the state of being intimidated; as, the voters were kept from the polls by intimidation.

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**REMARKS**

| Date / Time          | User     | Voter # | Voter Name | Remarks  |
|----------------------|----------|---------|------------|--|
| 5/5/2015 10:33:07 AM | AYMERERI |         |            | Backed up computer.  |
| 5/5/2015 10:54:47 AM | AYMERERI |         |            | Recorded absentee ballots.   |
| 5/5/2015 11:01:21 AM | AYMERERI |         |            | Recorded absentee ballots.   |
| 5/5/2015 11:12:12 AM | AYMERERI |         |            | Backed up computer.  |
| 5/5/2015 11:25:08 AM | AYMERERI |         |            | Recorded absentee ballots.   |
| 5/5/2015 11:49:19 AM | AYMERERI |         |            | Backed up computer.  |
| 5/5/2015 11:54:42 AM | AYMERERI |         |            | Spoiled Ballot.  |
| 5/5/2015 12:26:54 PM | AYMERERI |         |            | Signed registration card.  |
| 5/5/2015 12:27:10 PM | AYMERERI |         |            | Backed up computer.  |
| 5/5/2015 12:33:15 PM | AYMERERI |         |            | Kendall left for personal business at 12:33  |
| 5/5/2015 12:59:53 PM | AYMERERI |         |            | Backed up computer.  |
| 5/5/2015 1:02:57 PM  | ZUZULANA |         |            | Erica went to lunch 1:00   |
| 5/5/2015 1:11:13 PM  | ZUZULANA |         |            | Kendall is back 1:10   |
| 5/5/2015 1:35:18 PM  | ZUZULANA |         |            | Backup 1:30  |
| 5/5/2015 2:04:59 PM  | AYMERERI |         |            | A voter mentioned that the chairman was too close to her voting station. Nancy respected her wishes and moved out of her area. |
| 5/5/2015 2:06:00 PM  | AYMERERI |         |            | Erica has been back from lunch, forgot to make remark, but have been logged back in.   |

5/5/2015 8:48:05 PM