

Vassar Township Board of Trustees
Special Meeting – May 18, 2017

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Supervisor Foether called the meeting to order at 11:07 AM.

The Pledge was led by Supervisor Foether.

Roll Call:

Present: Tom Borcharding, Bruce Foether, John Stack, Bill Gray

Absent: Michael Clinesmith

New Business:

Motion on May 9, 2017 ~~fee~~ for the Election Workers Pay.

Motion by Foether, seconded by Borcharding to pay the Election Workers, to put it on the payable in June, and to mail the check out today.

Vote 4-0 with Clinesmith absent. MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution #14-2017

RESOLUTION: To Establish Vassar Township Election Wages

Whereas, the Vassar Township Board of Trustees has the Authority to set salaries for the Vassar Township Election Inspectors.

And ~~WHEREAS~~ Whereas, the Township Board deems that adjustments in the Election Inspector wages is warranted in consideration of the responsibilities undertaken by this position since the salary was last adjusted and the general increases in the cost of living.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Vassar Township Board of Trustees adjust its pay for Election Inspectors in the follow manner:

The Chair(s) of the election receives a wage of \$11.50/hour.

The Co-chair(s) of the election receives a wage of \$10.50/hour.

The other election inspectors receive a wage of \$10.00/hour.

Election inspectors will be paid their corresponding wage for training and for duties regarding upcoming elections.

Election inspectors will be reimbursed for mileage for ~~travel~~ *Travel*-to places outside of the Township ~~fee~~ for training purposes.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Foether and supported by Board Member Gray.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted "Aye": Borcharding, Stack, Gray, Foether

"Nay": none

Absent (1): Clinesmith

Vote 4-0 Clinesmith absent, Resolution Carried

Resolution #15-2017

RESOLUTION: To Establish Vassar Township Deputy Wages

Whereas, the Vassar Township Board of Trustees has the Authority to set salaries for the Vassar Township Deputy.

And WHEREAS Whereas, the Township Board deems that adjustments in the Deputy wages is warranted in consideration of the responsibilities undertaken by this position since the salary was last adjusted and the general increases in the cost of living.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Vassar Township Board of Trustees adjust its pay for Deputy in the follow manner:

The Deputy receives a wage of \$10.00/hour.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Stack and supported by Board Member Gray.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted "Aye": Gray, Foether, Borcharding, Stack

"Nay": none

Absent (1): Clinesmith

Vote 4-0 Clinesmith absent, Resolution Carried

Resolution #16-2017

RESOLUTION: To Establish Vassar Township Secretary Wages

Whereas, the Vassar Township Board of Trustees has the Authority to set salaries for the Vassar Township Secretary.

And WHEREAS Whereas, the Township Board deems that adjustments in the Secretary wages is warranted in consideration of the responsibilities undertaken by this position since the salary was last adjusted and the general increases in the cost of living.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Vassar Township Board of Trustees adjust its pay for ~~Deputy~~ Secretary in the follow manner:

The ~~Deputy~~ Secretary receives a wage of \$10.00/hour.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Board Member Foether and supported by Board Member Gray.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted "Aye": Stack, Borcharding, Gray, Foether

"Nay": none

Absent (1): Clinesmith

Vote 4-0 Clinesmith absent, Resolution Carried

Public Comment:

Onna Clinesmith Read this: My name is Onna And I have an observation and an opinion to share with you. In my opinion this illegal prank concerning withholding the deputy clerk and election inspector's pay checks is entirely the responsibility of the newly elected and re-elected board members present at this meeting. Tom, Bruce, John and Bill.

In a political move former Supervisor Bob Forbes slashed the deputy clerk's budget from \$4,500 to \$1,700. That was a 62% pay cut! There are three union members on this board and I can bet your unions would never stand for such an insane cut! In fact, if your unions knew you supported a 62% employee pay cut they would probably call you out on it. Mike asked this board at several meetings to restore his deputy clerk's budget. But what did Tom, Bruce, John and Bill do to solve a financial problem? While Mike continued to do his job with the help of the mandatory position of a deputy clerk they criticized and belittle him when he went over budget. Finally, they approved a motion to pay the deputy clerk \$0.00 per hour.

Mike asked this board for election assistants to work this election and you did not approve a motion to hire any election assistants. If you would have approved hiring election assistants you could have also set their pay scale. You made no action. That was your responsibility!

This board's job is to provide Mike with the tools and finances to run elections. Election inspector's duties include whatever the clerk needs them to do to prepare for an election! You did not do your job. Mike had to use whatever resources he had to insure the integrity of the May2, 2017 election. The cost of this election that is passed onto to Vassar Schools was your decision. It was your responsibility!

Motion by Gray, Seconded by Borcharding to adjourn.

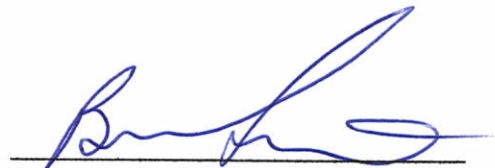
Vote 4-0, **MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting Adjourned at 11:42 AM

Minutes prepared by Supervisor Foether.



Vassar Township Clerk



Vassar Township Supervisor