

REYNOLDS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

3.14.19

Supervisor Kindel called the regular Meeting of the Board to order at 7:00 pm., Pledge of Allegiance was given. Invocation given by Father James VanderLaan from Christ the King Catholic Church.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Kindel, Clerk Sholty, Treasurer Stedman, Trustee Eversole and Trustee Saucier.

CONSENT AGENDA: Deputy Mahar presented the Police Report and noted a beneficial school shooting training that was attended, Zoning Administrator, Mark Stevens presented the Zoning Report and Chair, Jason Lund presented the Planning Report.

Motion: Approve consent agenda consisting of February 14, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board Minutes, Police Report, Fire Report, Zoning Report, Treasurer's Report, Library Report and the Township's Monthly Bills. Motion by Saucier, 2nd by Sholty, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Big Thank You to Carl Losinger, AJ Kindel and Tristan Sanford for helping with the Township Hall roof repair. Damaged carpet, restroom flooring and ceiling tiles will be replaced and turned into insurance.

Attorney opinion received on Wedding Barn dispute. Wedding Barn will continue to operate.

Township audit has been rescheduled to May 13 due to election

Insurance through MI Municipal League (MML) would reduce cost for Worker's Comp from \$1190 to \$908 (includes \$175 dues) and Liabilities would be reduced by \$621 with better coverage and lower deductibles. Motion: Approve Insurance through MML for Worker's Comp and Liabilities, and approve the extra cost of \$255 for cemetery vandalism. Motion by Eversole, 2nd by Stedman, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Adopt Resolution #R2019-0314-01 Amended Budget Changes for 2018-19 Fiscal year. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Stedman – Roll Call Vote: Kindel – Aye, Eversole – Aye; Stedman – Aye; Saucier – Aye; Sholty – Aye. Resolution Declared Adopted.

Approve 2018-19 Library Amended Operating Budget. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Eversole, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

Budget Public Hearing: 2019-20 proposed budget discussion.

Budget Public Hearing Closed Motion by Eversole, 2nd by Eversole, Ayes: 5, Nays:0, Motion Carried.

Adopt Resolution #R2019-0314-02 Assessor Salary - \$12.00 per parcel & \$6.00 per exempt parcel. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Stedman – Roll Call Vote: Sholty – Aye; Kindel – Aye; Eversole – Aye; Stedman – Aye; Saucier – Aye, Resolution Declared Adopted.

Treasurer requested salary increase to \$23,000. Adopt Resolution R2019-0314-03 Treasurer Salary -\$21,500.

Motion by Eversole, 2nd by Saucier- Roll Call Vote: Saucier – Aye; Eversole – Aye; Kindel – Aye; Stedman – Abstain; Sholty – Aye. Resolution Declared Adopted.

Adopt Resolution #R2019-0314-04 Applegate Special Assessment Road Funding. 29 parcels assessed @ \$716.24 per parcel, with option of 4% interest fee if paid over 2-year period. Township will pay Road Commission a total sum of \$20,771 payable at time of completion of project. Motion by Eversole, 2nd by Sholty – Roll Call Vote: Eversole – Aye; Stedman – Aye; Sholty – Aye; Kindel – Aye; Saucier – Aye. Resolution Declared Adopted.

Adopt Resolution R2019-0314-05 Approve 2019-20 Fiscal Year Budget for Township and Library. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Eversole, Roll Call Vote: Eversole – Aye; Stedman – Aye; Saucier – Aye; Sholty -Aye; Kindel – Aye. Resolution Declared Adopted.

Discussion moving money into CDs to earn interest.

Clerk Sholty and Trustee Saucier will check into Recycling Grant that is currently available.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Resident commended the Reynolds Township Board on transparency and thanked Sholty and Stedman for the courtesy, kindness and thoroughness shown in answering questions and helping the residents.

Resident concerned the Library Budget is not a complete report and fund balances are not being presented to the Township Board. Township Board will check with auditor.

Residents asked the Township Board to look into a blighted property.

BOARD COMMENTS: Clerk Sholty noted there will be a May 7th School Election and new elections law are still changing, but will keep everyone updated.

Treasurer Stedman asked Trustee Saucier, when he looked into salaries, if he took note of how many parcels are involved and what the Treasurer's office hours are? Trustee Saucier stated no, he did not.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:35 pm, Motion by Eversole, 2nd by Sholty, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

NEXT MEETING: April 11, 2019 7:00 pm, 215 E. Edgerton St., Howard City. For more information, call the township office at 231 937-6739 or check our website at www.reynoldstwp.org.