

Board Meeting Minutes Monday, November 11, 2024

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mr. Doran, Supervisor.

B. The Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

C. Roll Call

Board members present included Mr. Doran, Mr. Patterson, Mrs. Green, Mr. Hilbert and Mr. Stotler.

D. Attendance

Audience members present included Zoning Administrator Andrew Clark, Jeremy Gage, Jude, Levi and Miriam, Byron Miller, Melanie Sayles, Jill VanderZanden, Judy Lauber, Valerie Church-McHugh and Bob Green.

E. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Hilbert and supported by Mr. Doran to approve the September meeting minutes. All ayes; motion carried.

F. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Hilbert and supported by Mr. Doran to approve the agenda with the addition of an item:

G. Treasurer's Report

Mrs. VanderZanden reported:

- \$40,002.09 in the General Fund Checking
- \$971.13 in the Road Fund Checking
- \$391.74 in the Fire Fund Checking
- \$1.00 in the Escrow Account
- \$1.00 Bond Debt Retirement Account
- \$456,586.65 in the Michigan Class General Fund Surplus Account
- \$517.36 in the Michigan Class Road Fund Surplus Account
- \$8,177.28 Michigan Class Fire Fund Surplus Account
- Totals: \$465,281.29

H. Old Business

I. New Business

- 1. Pentwater Library-It was decided that the Pentwater Library item would be tabled until next month. Mrs. McHugh reviewed the reasons for seeking district library status.
- 2. Budget-Mr. Doran made a motion and was supported by Mr. Hilbert to move \$600.00 from Computer Upgrades into Cemetery/Sexton/Software item category. Ayes included Mr. Doran, Mr. Patterson, Mrs. Green and Mr. Hilbert; Motion Carried.
- 3. Township Phones-The board feels that the township phones are inadequate and would like the new board to bring a proposal to upgrade them.
- 4. Cyber Security Insurance-Mrs. Green shared Burnham and Flowers offer to purchase Cyber Security Software. Mr. Doran would like to get a quote.
- 5. Township transition with elections-Mr. Doran looked at all of the possibilities of filling vacancies for open seats.
- Cleaning Personnel-Mr. Doran made a motion and was supported by Mr. Hilbert 1-2 hours a month at \$30 an hour. Ayes included Mr. Doran, Mr. Patterson, Mrs. Green and Mr. Hilbert; motion carried.

J. Correspondence-Mr. Patterson shared:

 Deby Gustafson reported that the November Presidential Election went smoothly. It was the highest voter turnout she can remember from past elections with close to ³/₄'s of registered voters voting. Many voters used the absentee process, early voting in person and in person on election day.

K. Public Comments

1. None

L. Zoning Administrator's Report

Mr. Clark reported issuing the following:

- 1. A residential zoning permit at the NW ¼ of sec. 27
- 2. A residential zoning permit at the SW ¼ of sec. 27
- 3. A residential zoning permit at the NW ¼ of sec. 8
- 4. A residential zoning permit at the NE ¼ of sec. 32
- 5. A land division at the ¹/₄ of sec. 13
- 6. A residential zoning permit a the SE ¼ of sec. 13
- 7. A commercial zoning permit at the SE ¼ of sec. 30
- 8. An ag/residential zoning permit at the NE ¼ of sec. 30

M. Board Members' Comments

- 1. Mr. Patterson shared that Melanie Sayles has been shadowing him while he does the major functions of his job including sorting the mail, reviewing the different budget items, bill paying and payroll.
- 2. Mr. Patterson wanted to wish Mr. Hilbert the best and appreciated the time he got to serve on the township board with him.

N. Supervisor's Comments

1. Mr. Doran wanted to thank the board members

O. Approval of the Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Hilbert and supported by Mr. Doran to approve the monthly bills. All ayes; motion carried.

P. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Hilbert and supported by Mr. Patterson to adjourn. All ayes; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM. Minutes were recorded by Mr. Patterson.