

REGULAR AUGUST MEETING OF THE  
WEARE TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD  
MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2019 AT THE TOWNSHIP HALL

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Dale Stevenson, Supervisor.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dale Stevenson, Supervisor; Linda Dykema, Treasurer; Angela Aerts, Clerk; Tom Sayles and Gary Hilbert, Trustee.

**OTHER PRESENT:** Melinda Stopczynski, Karen Alvesteffer, Julia Lauber, Mark Seeback, Tom McGuire, Mike Villadsen, Bonnie Villadsen, Robert Green, Lori Green, Marilyn Werner, George Sadler, Edward Hammerle Jr, William Arnold, Sheriff Craig Mast, Jill VanDerZanden, Larry Doran, Dean Gustafson

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Roll call shows that everyone is present.

Moved by Mr. Hilbert and supported by Mr. Sayles to approve the July 8, 2019 minutes. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Moved by Gary Hilbert and supported by Angela Aerts to approve the agenda. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Treasurer reported \$106,607.17 in checking.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Comments were made regarding lot line screening, website, township financials, medical & recreational marijuana, prohibition of marijuana establishments, taxes, budget, Weare #9 drain, planning commission replacement, speed summary on 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. MASTER PLAN**

A master plan committee is being formed with 2 members from the township board which are Dale Stevenson & Gary Hilbert and 3 members from the planning commission which will be Gene Oomen, Ivan Ewing, & Kathy Walicki.

**2. PLANNING COMMISSION REPLACEMENT**

Mr. Stevenson stated that he has received a couple of applications.

Mrs. VanDerZanden gave her background in the township.  
Mr. Doran gave his background in the township.

Mr. Stevenson stated that he would like to appoint Mrs. VanDerZanden to the planning commission to fill the vacancy by Mr. Davis. The board agreed with Mr. Stevenson's appointment.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. TRUTH AND TAXATION**

Ms. Stopczynski of the Oceana Equalization Department explained the truth and taxation hearing to the board and the public.

*Moved by Linda Dykema, supported by Gary Hilbert that the Weare Township Board adopt the proposed millage (1.2268 Operating, 1.9872 Roads and 0.4822 Fire) for the 2019 Millage Levy.*

*ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Linda Dykema, Angela Aerts, Dale Stevenson, Gary Hilbert & Tom Sayes*

*NAYS: None*

*Motion carried.*

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

A correspondence was received from attorney Crystal Morgan regarding Weare #9 Drain. No comments were made from the board.

The board received a letter from Mr. Mark Seeback.

Dale mentioned a day of review at the drain commion office located in the courthouse regarding the Cummins Drain. It will be held August 27<sup>th</sup> from 9am - 5pm.

## **ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT**

Dale stated that new constructions are happening within the township.

## **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

MSU Extension office is holding a Citizen Planner Program. The classes are 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 11/7 from 6-9pm. Discussion ensued.

*Moved by Ms. Aerts, supported by Mr. Hilbert to approve \$1375.00 for up to 5 members to go at the \$275.00 a person to the planner program. Roll call vote: Dykema, Yes; Sayles, Yes; Hilbert, Yes; Stevenson, Yes; Aerts, Yes.*

Mr. Stevenson stated that he is hand delivering a letter to the road commission regarding the township's concerns this week. He also stated that a culvert has been ordered for Washington Rd.

Linda stated that taxes are coming in. She also stated that she would like to give suggestions regarding the Master Plan Committee but at this time she cant be on the committee due to some other circumstances. Linda stated that is anyone has any concerns over her books she would be more than willing to go over them.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection is August 17<sup>th</sup> form 9-1 at the Hart DPW.

Public comment was allowed only regarding Truth & Taxation.

*Moved by Gary Hilbert, supported by Tom Sayles to approve checks #11528-11548 & 1002 in the amount of \$20,273.96.*

*(PR - \$6,095.84)*

*(AP-\$14,178.12)*

*Roll Call Vote.*

*Yays: Dykema, Sayles, Hilbert, Stevenson, Aerts*

*Nays:*

*Motion Carried.*

Moved by Gary Hilbert, supported by Tom Sayles to adjourn.

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Angela L Aerts , Clerk