



GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
09/14/20
7:00 PM



Board Members Present: Tom Deater, Sandra Gustman, Cora Conley, Stacey Budde, Ron Stroven

Board Members Absent: None

Call to Order by Deater at 7:00 pm.

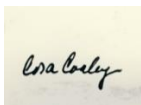
Pledge of Allegiance

- 1) Agenda – motion by Stroven to approve the agenda as presented. I/F 5-0
- 2) Minutes – motion by Stroven to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting of 8/10/2020 as presented. I/F 5-0
- 3) Treasurer’s report – motion by Deater to approve the Treasurer’s report of 8/31/20: I/F 5-0
 - a) Fund Balance = \$242,583.78
 - b) Restricted Balance = \$10,193.19
 - c) Balance Available for Township Operations = \$232,390.59
- 4) Bills & Payroll – motion by Stroven to approve payment of expenses as outlined including the addendum of additional payments to be paid 9/16/20. I/F 5-0
- 5) Old Business:
 - a) Assessor of Record – Deater confirmed he submitted the Township’s response to the County.
 - b) 184th Ave Property in foreclosure & hearings - Deater reported responding to the County with “no interest”. Hearings are scheduled as follows:
 - i) Show cause hearings by appointment on 1/21 & 1/22 between 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM.
 - ii) Judicial foreclosure hearing 2/22 at 1:15 PM
 - c) FOIA update – Conley reported after seeking legal advice and timely submitting the required response to the two Freedom of Information Act Requests, the requestor, True the Vote, officially withdrew both requests one day later.
- 6) New Business:
 - a) Election inspector on-line training – request for 4 hours paid training. Tabled until next month.
- 7) Committee Reports:
 - a. Fire Board meeting minutes were presented by Stroven.
 - b. Library board meeting minutes were provided by Marcia Woods & presented by Conley.
 - c. Planning Commission did not have a meeting.
- 8) Correspondence / Communication Inquiries
 - a) Email received from Mary Lou Phillips RE: exercising foreclosure first right & potential for litigation
 - b) Hart Township Board Public Hearing – ORV ordinance on 10/13 at 7 PM at the Hart Township Hall
- 9) Board discussion/comment:
 - a) Gustman asked status of replacing our assessor and reminded the board our current’s assessor’s last day is mid-October. Deater will check with the County for possible referral and Conley will check with H&S. Deater asked if an ad was placed on Michigan Assessor’s Association website (per information provided by Gail Dolbee). Conley had not placed the ad but agreed to help get it done.
 - b) Stroven reported 4 1/3 dumpsters filled at Saturday’s free dump day.

10) Public Comment: (Please limit comments to three minutes)

- a) Jim Gustman asked when the Board was going to respond to or act on the complaint he filed with Rick Mansfield – Zoning Administrator related to his neighboring property encroaching on the road right of way.
- b) Vanessa Davila stated she occupies the neighboring property Mr. Gustman was referencing and that Rick Mansfield had been out to inspect the property and told her it was fine (not in violation). She also asked the distance off the road mailboxes need to be and Deater advised her to contact the post office.
- c) Deater advised Jim Gustman he would follow up with Mansfield.
- d) Absentee voting:
 - i) Deater reported receiving (for the second time) an absentee voter application for a relative that has not lived at his address for a couple years. Conley stated she had advised the State of the needed correction after it happened before the August primary. Conley stated she would follow up with the State.
 - ii) Conley offered opinion that fraud related to absentee voting is not as concerning as the potential for a vote not counting due to rejection of a ballot for reasons such as erroneous marks, over-voting, or in the case of the primary – cross voting. She stated when voting in person, you have an opportunity to correct your ballot where with absentee voting you do not.

11) Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm



10/12/20