

MONTCALM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1880 S Greenville Rd, Greenville, MI 48838

December 11, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Douglas Crowley, Supervisor; Rosemary Hyde, Treasurer, Jessica Shearer, Clerk, Steve Sprague, Trustee and Tim Rau, Trustee

MEMBER ABSENT:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Douglas Crowley

Pledge to the Flag

Crowley added to the agenda under new business set meeting dates for 2020.

A **Motion** was made by Hyde to approve the Agenda with the changes, Second Rau. **Motion** carried.

A **Motion** to approve the November 13, 2019, 2019 regular Township board meeting minutes was made by Hyde, Second Rau. **Motion** carried.

Treasurer's Report: The report was distributed to the audience and Board Members.

A **Motion** to approve the Treasurer's report as presented was made by Shearer, Second Rau. **Motion** carried.

Payment of Bills: A **Motion** to approve the Payment of Bills was made by Hyde, Second Rau **Motion** carried.

Supervisor's Comments:

Reports:

- Sheriff Report: Deputy Ingraham gave the sheriff's report. Deputy Ingraham informed the board and the residents that he will be moved to Howard city starting in January.
- Planning Commission: Richard Karnatz reported that the planning commission didn't have a meeting in December.
- Zoning Board of Appeals: John Johansen reported that the ZBA didn't have a meeting this month. John Johansen reported that the next meeting will be held on January 15, 2020 at 7 pm
- Library Board: The Library Board meeting agenda and report is posted on the Township bulletin board.
- Cemeteries: No report.
- Zoning Administrator: Zoning Administrator Mike Nelson issued 3 permits since the last meeting
- County Commissioner: County Commissioner Adam Peterson informed the board on what is going on at the county level.
- Fire Department: Chief Dickinson was absent. Adam Peterson read the fire report.
- Trustees: Sprague thanked everyone for showing up and to stay warm. Rau read an email that was sent to his personal email.
- Clerk: Shearer had no comment.

Public Comment – Concerning Reports:

A resident commented about the treasurer's report.

Old Business:

- **Presentation of the 2018/2019 Audit by Sarah Kanitz from Lake Michigan CPA**

Sarah Kanitz from Lake Michigan CPA presented the 2018/2019 audit. Sarah informed the board that the audit would be sent to the state the following day. Sarah also informed the board that there were a few things that needed to be fixed. Sarah told the board that the state would send us a letter and we would have to respond on how we are going to go about fixing things.

- **Review and correction/adjustment of the 2019-2020 Township budget**

Crowley explained why the 2019-2020 budget needed correction/adjustment.

Hyde made a **motion** that we amended the 2019-2020 township budget Second Shearer.

Motion carried.

New Business:

- **Set Meeting Dates.**

Shearer made a **Motion** to keep the meeting dates and time the same, Second Wednesday of each month at 7 pm. Second Hyde Motion Carried.

Public Comment:

A resident asked if it was state law that you get audited every other year.

A resident asked how much the books were actually off.

A resident asked if the state revenue check would be put on hold.

A resident informed the board she thinks that if we would have joined the MTA this wouldn't have happened, the Audit would have been better.

A resident commented on the email that Rau got sent to his personal email.

A resident commented on her feelings about the MTA.

A resident asked if the amended budget numbers would be reflect for March 2020.

A resident asked about the fire mileage. This resident also asked if the fire mileage renews every year.

A resident asked about the annual meeting and the Salary Compensation committee.

Rau commented that the Fire Compensation committee is Doug Crowley, Tim Rau, Adam Petersen and they would like volunteers. Connie Geer and Diane Fountain volunteered.

A resident commented on Monroe Cemetery.

A **Motion** to adjourn was made by Hyde, Second Shearer. **Motion** carried.
Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Submitted by: Jessica Shearer, Clerk

Posted:

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