

Montcalm Township Board Meeting Minutes Via Zoom
1880 S. Greenville Rd Greenville MI 48838
May 12, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Douglas Crowley, Supervisor; Rosemary Hyde, Treasurer, Jessica Shearer, Clerk, Edward Hansen, Trustee, Brian Cousineau Trustee

MEMBER ABSENT: None

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

Pledge to the Flag

• **Approval of Agenda**

Crowley added to under new business Montcalm Economic Alliance

A **Motion** was made by Hyde to approve the Agenda with the changes. Second Cousineau
Motion Carried.

• **Approval of Minutes from April 14, 2021**

A **motion** was made by Cousineau to approve the minutes. Hyde Second **Motion Carried.**

• **Treasurer's Report:** The report was distributed to the audience and Board Members. A **Motion** to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Shearer, Second Cousineau. **Motion carried.**

• **Payment of Bills:**

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

• **Supervisor's Comments:** Crowley told everyone that Colby Road is completely finished.

Reports:

• **Sheriff Report:** No Report.

• **Planning Commission:** No Report

• **Zoning Board of Appeals:** John Johasen informed the board that the ZBA held a meeting on April 21, 2021 at 7pm.

• **Library Board:** The Library Board meeting agenda and report is posted on the Township bulletin board.

• **Cemeteries:** Nothing to Report.

• **Zoning Administrator:** Zoning Administrator Mike Nelson informed the board that he issued 8 permits for the month of April.

• **County Commissioner:** Adam Peterman gave a report on what was happening at the county level.

• **Fire Department:** Chief Dickinson read his report.

• **Trustees:** Cousineau asked the Crowley about the conflict of interest with Richard Karntz (Chairman of the Planning Commission). Crowley informed Cousineau that Mr. Krantz will sit out of any decision about Wind Energy in the Planning Commission Meeting.

• **Clerk:** Nothing to report

Public Comment – Concerning Reports:

Public Comment- Concerning Old Business

1. A Property owner commented that the board should continue to listen to the people of the township.

Old Business

• **Fire Department Equipment – Thermal Imaging Camera**

1. Chief Dickinson explained about the camera

A **motion** was made by Shearer that the fire department purchase the thermal imaging camera for \$3200. Second by Hyde **Motion Carried.**

• **Natural River Zoning Requirements**

Crowley gave an update that the lawyer is getting the paperwork ready for the ordinance.

• **Temporary Moratorium**

1. The Board Members discussed what it would take to get a Temporary Moratorium in

place.

Cousineau made a **Motion** that we have the lawyer create an ordinance to put in a Temporary Moratorium in place. Second by Hyde

Roll Call Vote

Crowley- No

Hyde-Yes

Hansen-Yes

Cousineau- Yes

Shearer- No

Motion Carried

Public Comment-Concerning New Business

1. A Resident commented that he was in favor of supporting the Montcalm Economic Alliance

New Business

- **Montcalm Economic Alliance**

A **Motion** was made by Shearer that the board donates \$1000 to Montcalm Economic Alliance Second Hyde **Motion Carried.**

Public Comments

1. Chief Dickinson talked about Township Clean.
2. A property owner asked questions about an email from the township lawyer.
3. A Resident asked Shearer why she voted no.
4. A resident commented that Township Clean up was a great thing for the community.
5. A Resident commented that board members act professional when discussing things.
6. A resident agrees with another resident about acting professionally.
7. A resident commented that the daily news posted a great story about how Apex lied to the land owner to get a lease signed.

A **Motion** to adjourn was made by Hansen.Second Hyde. **Motion Carried.** Meeting Adjourned at 8:02pm

Submitted By Jessica Shearer Montcalm Township Clerk