

REYNOLDS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

11.12.20

Supervisor Kindel called the regular Meeting of the Board to order at 7:00 pm., Pledge of Allegiance was given.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Kindel, Clerk Sholty, Treasurer Stedman, Trustee Eversole and Trustee Saucier.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mark Stevens presented the Zoning Report and noted new issues.

Motion: Approve consent agenda consisting of the October 8, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Board Minutes, October 19, 2020 Special Meeting of the Board Minutes, Fire Report, Zoning Report, Treasurer's Report, Library Report and the Township's Monthly Bills. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Saucier, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Audit still not completed. Treasurer was unable to provide documentation. Treasurer noted Auditor wants a debit/credit for accounts. Clerk Sholty noted because audit is not done, the State Treasury Dept. could come in and seize our tax roll.

As discussed in Special Meeting, an Assistant to the Treasure will be hired. Working with attorney recommended by Auditor, the Assistant to the Treasurer will be hired that will do all data entry. Treasurer Issues have been on-going for several years. Trustee Stedman noted we are talking about 2 items.

Trustee Eversole noted we are not talking about two issues that need to be taken of, we are talking about potential loss of revenue that these folks have paid in and we're supposed to be taking care of. You are being paid to do a job that is not being done. We have already spent lots of money. Every year we have had to pay more than your job is supposed to pay to correct something that was not done correctly. We are talking thousands of dollars. These issues have not been resolved in 4 years. If hiring an assistant takes care of the issue and people's money can be utilized properly, like they voted it to be, I'm in favor.

Treasurer Stedman wanted to show the Township Board what he actually does.

Clerk Sholty noted State could come in, seize our tax roll and take over taxes at our expense, so the Board has to do something.

Motion: Hire Assistant to Treasurer, Motion by Saucier, 2nd by Eversole, Treasurer noted he would like to review duties. Roll Call Vote: - Saucier – Yes; Kindel – Yes; Stedman – No; Eversole – Yes; Sholty – Yes. Resolution 2020-1112-01 declared adopted.

An Enterprise Administrator needs to be in place for the BS&A system. Motion: Appoint Clerk Sholty as Enterprise Administrator. Motion by Eversole, 2nd by Saucier, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

2021 Police Contract is up for renewal with no increase. Supervisor Kindel noted millage was approved, but will take a while for millage money to help, so approve for another year. Motion: Approve 2021 Police Contract. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Stedman, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

Zoning Administrator gave update on zoning violation issues.

Clerk Sholty gave update on Election. Thanked all the Election Inspectors for their hard work and phenomenal job, 65% turnout for precinct 1, 67.11% turnout for precinct 2, 64 new registered voters on Election Day and noted no support from State when issues arose.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Trustee Eversole thanked everyone for their support and elected not to run again, and has volunteered to help out the public schools. Citizens that we did not see eye to eye, I respected them and it has been an honor to serve, but I'm just not a politician. I hope to see you, be able to shake your hand, and I thank you for your support.

Trustee Stedman noted Rick Eversole has done an excellent job.

Supervisor Kindel thanked Rick for serving and a job well done.

Clerk Sholty thanked Rick, you have been a great asset and have done a lot for this community, and I thank you.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A resident thanked the Reynolds Township Board, the Board of Commissioners and the Library Board for running a clean campaign.

A resident raised concern regarding declining property values due to zoning violations.

A resident thanked Rick for his time on the Board.

There is enough people on the Planning Commission, just need to appoint a Chair, Co-Chair and Secretary. One ordinance that needs to be looked at is Wind and Solar.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:57 p.m., Motion by Sholty, 2nd^{by} Stedman, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

NEXT MEETING: December 10, 7:00 pm, 215 E. Edgerton St., Howard City. For more information, call the township office at 231 937-6739 or check our website at www.reynoldstwp.org.