

REYNOLDS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

11.8.18

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: Deputy Chapin presented the Police Report, Zoning Administrator, Mark Stevens presented the Zoning Report and Co-Chair Dave Hauentein presented the Planning Report.

Motion: Approve consent agenda consisting of October 11, Regular Meeting of the Board Minutes, Police Report, Fire Report, Zoning Report, Planning Report, Treasurer's Report, Library Report and the Township's Monthly Bills. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Eversole, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Applegate Community Resolution postponed until approximate costs are confirmed with Montcalm County Road Commission.

Mid-term voter turnout close to Presidential Election turnout. Several issues prior to and on Election Day, including a broken entrance door. Poll Watchers were present all day and Reporters present at closing.

Fire & Safety Millage and Road Millage were voted through and L4029 form has been revised and forwarded on.

Discussion regarding the approval of a Special Land Use Permit for a Wedding Barn. This is something that has been on-going for approx. 5 years and was not handled properly from the very beginning. The Township Board has asked the owner to acquire a DBA, a Zoning Permit and a Site Plan so there would be a paper trail. The Township Board approved the Special Use Permit at the previous meeting. However; Residents have raised concerns regarding no public hearing was held and procedure should be followed every time. A public hearing will be held and residents will be notified. This is a case where procedure was not correctly followed on the Township Board's part, and the owner should not be penalized for it.

NEW BUSINESS:

Thank you to the Sherburne's for replacing the flag clips, so the flag can now be flown.

Treasurer Stedman is working with Independent Bank for tax collections. Residents will now have the convenience of paying their taxes at the bank, have an instant receipt, and longer hours available (bank hours as compared to township hours.)

Clerk is now doing registrations, address changes, voter and master cards previously contracted with Montcalm County at .40 per card, and \$100 quarterly. Motion: Pay Clerk for the non-statutory duty at .30 per card and \$100 quarterly. Motion by Eversole, 2nd by Saucier, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

Motion: Accept Planning Commission's recommendation for Tammy Werner to be on the Planning

Commission Committee. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Saucier, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

Motion: Approve Mr. Soloway's Phase I project for Commercial Storage Units. Motion by Sholty, 2nd by Stedman, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

County Treasurer, JoAnn Vukin gave an update on the County acquired Kass property. She asked if the Township could help in the cleanup effort as far as grants. (Ex. Scrap tire grant or possible brownfield grant opportunities.) It was brought to the Board's attention that a piece of that property is not actually owned by Montcalm County. The Township will ask the owner to cleanup that piece of property.

Concerns regarding a Special Use Permit and how it was/wasn't handled in the past. Not having a public hearing takes the voice away from the people. Nobody is saying the Special Land Use Permit should not be permitted, but procedure should be followed.

BOARD COMMENTS: Trustee Saucier: My apologies for not attending last month's meeting. Trustee Eversole and I attended the MTA Seminar and are interested in going to more. Lots learned. I also attended the Septic System Public Hearing that was held by the Mid-Michigan Health Department. I encourage people to read up on proposed changes.

Meeting adjourned: 8:40 pm. Motion by Eversole, 2nd by Sholty, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Motion Carried.

Next Meeting: December 13, 2018, 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.