

Regular Board Meeting for Mills Township

Tuesday February 12, 2019

7:00 Meeting called to order

Stand for the Pledge

Roll Call Present: Amy Hoover, Alan Wendt, Dan Bloom, Sara Pitch, Kim Sweet

Residents present: Tim Metzger, Al Mason, Richard & Connie Lafontaine, Ron & Cindy Schoof, Alexis & Kim Hoover, Roland Brink, Karol Miller, Jodie Fath, Lisa Douglas, Michael Heal, Deb Bloom, Pam Schneider, Kevin and Debbie Cuthbertson

Agenda Approval: Pitch made a motion to accept the Agenda, supported by Hoover  
Roll call vote Yes: Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion carried

Minutes: Hoover questioned the approval of the Ganske land split, discussion was held  
Pitch made a motion to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from Jan. 8, 2019 supported by Wendt.

Roll Call Yes: Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion carried

Introduction of Guest: Government student: Nathaniel Knapp

Public Comments:

Comment: Karol Miller commented that there was a Policy & Procedure Committee formed in October and she commented on what they had found. She said she would be emailing the board members their recommendations.

Answer: Bloom asked that something be submitted in writing to the board.

Comment: Richard Lafontaine proposed that we update our parking lot size requirement to better define usable space compared to total square footage: something similar to the City of Midland's.

Answer: Bloom concurred and Wendt will look into this

Treasurers Report: Balances as of Feb. 12, 2019

- A. General Fund Checking- \$87,015.40
- B. Roads -\$25,978.95
- C. Fire Fund Checking-\$23,241.47
- D. Fire Fund Savings-\$47,110.63
- E. Solid Waste Checking-\$ 42,522.76
- F. Solid Waste C.D.-\$21,134.70
- G. Current Tax- \$215,967.74

- H. Water Assessment- \$53,595.54
- I. Water Debt Service- \$87,559.80
- J. Water Tax Revenue- \$317.38

Fire Chief Metzger had a question on the Fire Truck Fund, Pitch explained,

Sweet made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Supported by Bloom  
Roll Call Yes- Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion carried

Clerks Report: Presentation of Claims:

- A. General Fund- Check #13275-13308- Total \$16,902.47
- B. Fire Fund- Check #6757-6769 – Total \$1,410.24
- C. Solid Waste Fund- Check # 1552-1553 – Total \$13,522.02

Sweet stated that we will need to pay the federal payroll tax by the Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> and did not have that amount from the accountant yet but it would be under \$1000.

Wendt moved to pay the Claims as stated, supported by Pitch

Roll Call Yes- Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

- A. Assessor's Report: March Board of Review dates will be posted shortly
- B. Supervisor's Report: Recall petition for supervisor was dismissed; Budget meeting posted for Feb. 19, 2019 7 p.m.
- C. Fire Dept. Report: Fire Chief Metzger read his Report Total Responses for Jan. was 18, with 14 calls since last meeting, with a house fire at 2850 Degeer Ct.  
Dept. Activities:
  - 1. Central Dispatch and Emergency Ops Center Training rescheduled for March
  - 2. Dept. Basic Life Support License Renewal has been submitted
  - 3. 2018 year end report will be presented at March meeting
  - 4. All 2018 year end State and Federal reports have been submitted
  - 5. Planning for the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year is complete
  - 6. Quarterly PPE and SCBA checks are complete

Requests:

- 1. To have hose and ladder testing completed \$1777.
- 2. To have SCBA testing completed \$2970.
- 3. To have Engine 820 brakes replaced \$2040.
- 4. To have annual truck maintenance completed \$3386.00

Totaling: \$10,173.00 These are required testing and maintenance and will be scheduled after April 1, 2019

Motion made by Bloom to grant Fire Chief Metzger's request for these required testing and maintenance items, supported by Pitch.

Roll Call Yes- Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried.

- D. Planning : Wendt reported: meeting was on Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> with some discussion about public hearing on Oct. 18, 2018, officers were elected. No other business.

- E. Code Authority: Hoover reported: Running smooth, things have slowed down. Next meeting is 28<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. at the County Building 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room.

- F. Water: Bloom reported he is in the process of filling out extensive paperwork for the rural development water project of 2006 and working on a new budget also

Correspondence to the Board: A bid for regular cleaning of the hall was presented to the board. Discussion was held.

Petitions to the Board: None

Old Business : None

New Business:

- A. Mike & Cheryl Heal (zoning/planning): At a Planning meeting held on Oct. 18, 2018, Mike & Cheryl Heal applied for approval to use a barn located on Baker Road, adjacent to 2810 Baker Rd, for weekend, seasonal weddings and weekend events. It is the planning committee recommendation that approval not be granted. Discussion followed. Motion made by Bloom to not approve the special use permit, supported by Wendt.  
Roll Call Yes: Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried
- B. Roads 2019: Packet submitted to board by Wendt-with Jan. board approval of ½ mile of Jefferson Rd North of Saiko Rd: leaving approx. \$51,434.67 left of non-matching funds left. 1 mile Jack Rd between Baker and Shearer (chip and seal) \$28,500 & ½ mile Baker Rd west of Sturgeon (chip and seal) \$15,105.00 would leave approx. \$7829.67 in the budget. The bid for Jefferson Rd came in about \$3000 less for pavement. This would leave the township with about \$10,000 for next year but these are only estimates. The millage road plan for next year would be to do the 2<sup>nd</sup> ½ of Jefferson Rd and that would mean all paved roads in the township will have had maintenance so we could start on the gravel roads for maintenance. Gladwin Co. and Billings Twp. do not have the funds for the Gladwin Townline Road project. However, the Midland Co. Road Comm. has pledged to do some maintenance work, ditching and grading at no cost to the township. Motion made by Bloom to do the work on 1 mile of Jack Rd & ½ mile of Baker Rd as stated, supported by Pitch.  
Roll Call Yes: Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried.
- C. Mileage Resolution 21219-1: Any official claiming mileage from the Township, must have a mileage log for each month stating the reason for the claim and destination, with google or any GPS map print out attached showing mileage, date of claim and signature of person making claim. Motion made by Bloom to approve the mileage resolution 21219-1, supported by Pitch.  
Roll Call Yes: Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried.
- D. 5 year Hazard Mitigation Plan: The Plan has been completed and approve by FEMA. The plan must be adopted by the Township in order to be eligible for

federal hazard mitigation grant funding. Discussion followed, Motion was made by Bloom to accept The Midland County Hazard Mitigation Plan resolution, supported by Pitch.

Roll Call Yes: Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried.

E. Yeo & Yeo audit : Bloom stated that Yeo & Yeo auditors are requiring that townships have audits every year with a cost of \$9000. Per year, even though we are not required to have them every year. Discussion followed. Motion made by Bloom to acquire other bids for audit, supported by Hoover. Discussion followed Roll Call Yes: Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried.

F. William Johnson Jr. Blight: 2845 & 2843 E. Shearer Rd are being charged with blight. Discussion followed. Motion made by Bloom to not spend more than \$60 to have the sheriff deliver the blight ticket on both properties, supported by Hoover.

Roll Call Yes- Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried.

Board Comments: None

Public Comments:

Comment: Update on Maxine Brink: A plea hearing that was scheduled for today was canceled and she has another hearing 3/18/19.

Comment: Is there a liability for the condition of the road on Gladwin Co. line road if an ambulance or Fire truck is unable to get down it? According to the MTA Township magazine it is Wendt's impression that the roads are the county's responsibility and hopefully the work the county has purposed will make it better.

Comment: Senior Services has a focus group meeting on Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> at 3 p.m. at 4700 Dublin and encourages the board to attend the meeting.

Comment: Bloom stated if anyone would like to look at the bills/checks that were being paid for the month now would be the opportunity to do so. No one chose to

Adjournment:

Bloom moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m., supported by Wendt. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

Richard J. Sabatone

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Nathaniel Knapp

Tom Simpson

Clayton S. Smith

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D. B. Bloom

Alexis Hoover

Kim Hoover

Robert Hoover

Kevin Cuthbertson

Debbie Cuthbertson

~~Harold Miller~~

Tamela M. Schmeida

Lois M. Fath

Lisa Douglas

Michael Deal