

**Regular Board Meeting for Mills Township  
Tuesday September 10, 2019**

7:00 p.m. 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, Jay St. John, Bill & Jill Bloom

**Agenda Approval:** Pitch made a motion to accept the Agenda with the addition in New Business H. Community building maintenance hours, supported by Wendt

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

**Minutes:** Hoover made a motion to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from August 13, 2019 as written, supported by Pitch. All in favor, Motion carried

**Introduction of Guests:** John Johnson from Burnham & Flower

**Public Comments:** Comment from Bill Bloom did the property survey get approved. D. Bloom said the assessor did not mention anything about it. He will check into it.

**Treasurers Report:** Balances as of September 1, 2019

- A. General Fund Checking-\$144,963.88
- B. Roads -\$51,697.51
- C. Fire Fund Checking-\$5,163.64
- D. Fire Fund Savings-\$80,588.95
- E. Solid Waste Checking-\$ 30,329.20
- F. Solid Waste C.D.-\$21,183.85
- G. Current Tax- \$235,789.46
- H. Water Assessment- \$30,019.00
- I. Water Debt Service- \$91,034.71
- J. Water Tax Revenue- \$287.66

Treasurer's report received

**Clerks Report:** Presentation of Claims:

- A. General Fund- Check #13483-13508 - Total \$25,167.36
- B. Fire Fund- Check #6875-6890 - Total \$2,873.38
- C. Solid Waste Fund- Check # 1563 total \$9,256.50

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

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

**Committee Reports:**

- A. **Assessor's Report:** Current Assessor has moved. Bloom will pursue a new assessor.
- B. **Supervisor's Report:** Still some work to finish on the track for the grant. The parking lot at the hall has been resurfaced and painted. The 10 water samples have been mailed.
- C. **Fire Dept. Report:** Fire Chief Metzger read his Report:  
95 total responses for 2019, 1 mutual aid call to Billings Fire since last meeting  
Dept. Activities:
  - 1. Annual drivers training completed
  - 2. Parking lot completed
  - 3. Dept. vaccinations will be complete by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>
  - 4. Dept. will be attending public fire education events at NMFC, Larkin Fire and Grandma's Pumpkin Patch
  - 5. Hunters Safety signups are going well, first class Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>

Department Request:

- 1. To have the department's locks rekeyed for a cost not to exceed \$300.
- 2. To purchase Medical and Fire Hats for an amount not to exceed \$300
- 3. To remove the following names from the roster: Shannon Johnson, Chad Maxon & Jennifer Maxon.

Pitch made a motion to grant the requests, supported by Bloom  
Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried

D. **Planning:** No meeting

E. **Code Authority:** Pretty busy, but running smooth. Next meeting, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. at the County Building 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room.

F. **Water Report:** Trash & recycling bins have been delivered to the community building

**Correspondence to the Board:** The Board received an invitation from Republic Services to attend their Appreciation Day / Landfill Tour. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> 11a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Petitions to the Board:** None

**Old Business:**

A. Cooking stoves update: Need to set date with Reliable to coordinate installation.

**New Business:**

A. Burnham & Flowers Insurance: John Johnson gave a presentation on a policy coverage proposal for the township with the Par Plan. Motion made by Bloom to except the 2019-2020 insurance policy as stated with the addition of the increased values suggested by risk control for a total of \$14,922 . supported by Pitch

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

Bloom made a motion to reject the terrorism casualty & property coverage policy supported by Pitch

Roll Call Yes – Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried

B. Gleaner Insurance: Bloom made a motion to pay Gleaner Insurance , supported by Wendt Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried

C. Millage: Bloom made a motion to adopt the Fire Department millage of 2.25 & township operating millage of 1.249. supported by Sweet

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

D. Water Audit: Bloom made a motion to pay the \$1000 Oct. water sample bill, supported by Wendt. Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried

E. Floor Maintenance: Pitch made a motion to hire Service Master to strip & wax the floors at the Hall & Community Building, supported by Bloom. Discussion held.

Roll Call Yes – Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried

F. Civil Suit: Wendt made a motion to have the township board proceed with the civil action suit against Maxine Brink, supported by Pitch. Discussion followed.

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

G. USDA: Bloom made a motion to pay the USDA Water payments Oct. 1, 2019 for a total of \$38,018.75, supported by Wendt.

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

H. Community Building maintenance: Bloom made a motion to increase the maintenance for the community building from 4 to 8 hours per month, supported by Pitch

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

**Board Comments:** Pitch: Because Chemical Bank is merging with TCF Bank, Treasurer has been receiving a lot of information from other banks. Treasurer is content with Chemical Bank.

**Public Comments:**

Comment: Fire Chief Metzger requests permission to pursue the grant from Burnham and Flowers Ins. Agency. Bloom made a motion that Tim be allowed to pursue the grant from Burnham and Flowers Ins. Agency, supported by Pitch.

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

Comment: Who sprays the ditches, Wendt answered that the County Drain Commission is responsible for that every 4 years in our township.

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