

**Regular Board Meeting for Mills Township  
Tuesday, June 9, 2020**

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, Roland Brink, Jay St. John, Deb & Kevin Cuthbertson & Paula Brown

**Agenda Approval:** Pitch made a motion to accept the Agenda with the addition in New Business of Line item C. Mr. Butters, supported by Sweet All in favor Motion Carried

**Minutes:** Pitch made a motion to accept the minutes from May 12, 2020 as written, supported by Hoover. All in favor, Motion carried.

**Introduction of Guests:** None

**Public Comments:** None

**Treasurers Report:** Balances as of June 1, 2020

- A. General Fund Checking-\$154,421.93
- B. General Fund Savings \$65,709.83
- C. Roads -\$71,832.57
- D. Fire Fund Checking-\$33,743.20
- E. Fire Fund Savings-\$101,121.77
- F. Solid Waste Checking-\$ 16,490.11
- G. Solid Waste Savings \$42,648.98
- H. Current Tax- \$21.77
- I. Water Debt Service- \$113,282.35
- J. Water Tax Revenue- \$4,764.47

Delinquent tax money should be distributed within the next week. Tax bills being printed for the summer tax season. Treasurer's report received

**Clerks Report:** Presentation of Claims:

- A. General Fund- Check #13723-13741 - Total \$10,294.59
- B. Fire Fund- Check #7065-7077 - Total \$5,183.09
- C. Solid Waste Fund- Check # 1576 Total \$10,252.32

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

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

**Committee Reports:**

**A. Assessor's Report:** No report

**B. Supervisor's Report:** Received a \$5000. Grant for the Midland Area Community Foundation to be used towards the Fire Dept/Township Hall Roof Project. The Money will be mailed to Trevillion Construction as a down payment on the Roof Project. Will be applying for other Grants to help with the Project. There has been no response to the Blight letters sent to Mr. Cobb & Mr. Butters

**C. Fire Dept. Report:** Fire Chief Metzger read his Report:

18 responses since last meeting; 73 total responses for 2020 (up 30% over 2019)  
Dept. Activities:.

1. Occupant at 5630 N. Sturgeon Rd Update: stated he will still be moving by July 1, 2020.
2. Flood Response: very proud of the Fire Department personal during the Flood; NMFC was set up as a shelter and they were very helpful.
3. Assisting in Mutual Aid coverage for a number of surrounding townships due to bridges being out. EMS is using the Fire Hall as a 24 hr. temporary stand by position to access the Northern areas quicker.
4. In the process of applying for more Grant money to assist with the Roof project for the Fire/Twp Hall. One of the questions on the Grant was if there will be any matching funds contributed for the project? Bloom made a motion that the Township Board take 10% of the budgeted funds of \$16,000 (\$1,600) to pay for the roof project, supported by Pitch

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

Department requests:

1. Purchase Appreciation Plaques for an amount not to exceed \$300.
2. To Conduct an Appreciation Dinner for an amount not to exceed \$1200
3. To Purchase 4 cots for a cost not to exceed \$350.
4. To contribute ½ of the 10% matching monies for the Roof Project (\$800.) from the Fire Dept Acct.

Wendt made a motion to grant the Fire Dept. requests, supported by Pitch

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

**D. Planning:** No meeting

**E. Code Authority:** No meeting last month. Building has reopened and things are running smooth. Next meeting June 25<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. at the County Building 1st Floor Conference Room.

**F. Water Report:** Need to send out another round of samples. USDA needs a copy of the audit when finished.

**Correspondence to the Board:** None

**Petitions to the Board:** None

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- A.** 2020 Audit: Received two quotes: Andrew, Hooper & Pavlic- \$9,500-10,000. With additional amounts to be determined as needed. Weinlander Fitzhugh- \$8750.00 including filing the F65 report in September. Motion made by Bloom to accept the bid from Weinlander Fitzhugh to perform the 2020 Audit for the Township., supported by Pitch. Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried
- B.** Scott Holzinger (Edenville/Hope Ball Teams)—Baseball fields at the Park: He would like to use one of the ball fields for practice a few times a week, with a possibility of using all diamonds if teams are allowed to play games. They will supply all supplies needed. Bloom made a motion to allow him to use the fields, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Bloom, Pitch, Sweet Motion Carried  
Will need to have letter to let the township know when he needs them for games
- C.** Mr. Butters: There has been no response concerning the FINAL NOTICE Past Due Response Invoice issued to 2547 E. Baker Road. There is still a lot of activity there. Bloom will contact the lawyer concerning putting a lien on the property to pay for the invoice. Bloom will also see about issuing a formal ticket for the Blight issue there.

**Board Comments:**

Comment Wendt: The playground at the park is no longer roped off. The gate at the Park has been fixed. The Shelter area and track has been cleaned up. The Road Commission has stated that all township road projects have been canceled for this year due to the Flood, till they find out what funding will be available. It might just be Gravel projects at the most. Ditching has begun on the Midland/ Gladwin Co. Line Road. Recycling was picked up on Shaffer and Swede Road that was missed last week.

**Public Comments:**

Comment: Siako Road between Jefferson & Swede Road is in terrible condition: It is a safety hazard. Is there any plans to fix this road. Wendt answered that this road is on our 5 yr plan and was scheduled to be fixed for the 2012-2022 year, but with the Road commission postponing all projects this year it might push that back a year and that is also depending on the Road Millage passing this year. Discussion was held and comment was made on the stop sign at the corner of Jefferson and Shearer Road needing to be a 4 way stop. Wendt directed them to call the Road Commission.

Comment: Are there many AV applications being returned and will there be an added cost to the Township? Sweet answered-Yes there seems to be an increased amount and there will be some added expense to the Township due to some changes.

**Adjournment:** Bloom moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m., supported by Wendt  
Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.