

**LAKE TOWNSHIP, HURON COUNTY
4988 W. KINDE RD., CASEVILLE, MI 48725
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JULY 17, 2017**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those in attendance: Valerie McCallum, Dorothy Fischer, Clay Kelterborn, Dale Hartsell, Claren Russell. Guests: 6

Agenda: Add to the agenda guest, Jim Kish from CAFPA , and Anthony Jobes from Elkton Ambulance, and, under Old Business, Township Hall correspondence. Motion made by Kelterborn and seconded by Fischer to accept Agenda with additions. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes of June 19, 2017: Motion made by Hartsell to approve the minutes, supported by Kelterborn. All in favor, motion carried.

Supervisor, McCallum suggested the two guests present their programs first, and then resume with the order of the Agenda. There being no dissention from the Board, the floor was turned over to the guests.

Guest, Gary Osminski, discussed the drain tube replacement on Champagne Rd. known as Musselman Drain. There is now an 84" round drain tube that has been there since at least the 1970's. In preparation for paving Champagne Rd. at a later time, drain tubes are being replaced as needed, now. Musselman Drain is due and Osminski would recommend using a 96" squash tube instead of the 96" round steel ridge tube. It would be more expensive (2-3%) but he feels it is more efficient. Kelterborn asked why the squash tubes of State Park and Dufty Rd. failed, and had to be replaced. Osminski suggested a combination of several things may have been the cause, one being they were significantly bigger, and possibly poor installation practices, or maybe faulty material could have been a problem. Kelterborn asked if the squash tube was our only choice now, and Osminski said no, but that the Road Commission uses them all the time, and has probably put in hundreds of them without problem. No further questions about Musselman Drain, but discussion regarding McIlhargie Rd ensued. The Road Commission had suggested installing tile instead of ditching the mile. Osminski

said it would not be wise if the tile had nowhere to empty. Osminski agreed to discuss the road with Matt Ricker and Bob Thiel by the August Board meeting and see if there was a place for the tile to empty. Otherwise a ditch would be the solution. Kelterborn asked if the dirt could be stored on the owners property while the Rd. Commission was working on the tile (or the ditch installation) in order to save the hauling time and costs. Osminski agreed, but also cautioned the Board that the stone on the road could be used on another road that needs stone now. Osminski felt new stone from the quarry would probably be about the same cost as storing the stone already on the road and trying to use it again, after the road work was done.

Anthony Jobes, Elkton Ambulance Coordinator- Bill Simmons has been added to our First Responders, joining with two other First Responders in Lake Township. Between the three of them, they share two AED's, and Simmons has a two-way radio (supplied by Caseville Fire Dept.) which connects to emergency services. It would be advisable to add another two-way radio to First Responder equipment in order to make contact with ambulance, police or fire department as crisis evolves. Cell phones are unreliable and don't always receive signals in this area. Jobes will check with Elkton Ambulance service for prices, and ask if they might share the cost with Lake Township to purchase a two-way radio. He will get back with us.

Jim Kish, CAFPA- The Caseville Fire Department had an informational meeting to consider Medical First Responders (MFR's). He reported that they are a quick response to emergencies when ambulances are dispatched out of Pigeon, Elkton or Bad Axe. With this basic medical training, the First Responder could update the ambulance crew as they are in route. The goal is to have an MFR available 24/7 that could be radioed to the scene ASAP and, according to the amount of training the MFR had, could begin emergency assessment and even minimal treatment to some degree, while waiting for the ambulance crew. The Fire Department already has two vehicles that could be stocked and certified to use by MFRs. Kish is planning to talk with Elkton and Scheurer Ambulance services to discuss ideas. It was noted that it would take approximately 90 days for the State to approve the Fire Hall as a training center.

REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OFFICERS:

Supervisor: Gypsy moths have been sighted in our area and we will need to spray next spring. Illegal fireworks and ORV issues still exist in our township.

Sheriff Hansen said his deputies can only support County and State laws, not the local Township ordinances, unless the Township has hired a part-time deputy to patrol the area at that time. At this time the Sheriff is short on help also.

TREASURER: Nothing to report.

CLERK: The Clerk will be out of the office Wednesday due to a Clerk Retreat in Frankenmuth. At the May Board meeting question was raised about making Easter Sunday a holiday for the Transfer Station, but the Board asked how much use that Sunday had gotten in previous Easters. In looking at records, the Transfer Station had a normal amount of usage in comparison with other weekends so it seems there is no reason to close the Transfer Station on that holiday. Regarding the toilet facility at the Transfer Station, the monthly fee has gone up \$5/mo. The Public Accuracy Test will be conducted at the Hall Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at 2:30 P.M., and elections will be held August 8, 2017.

TRUSTEES: Hartsell noted the passing of Bill Gotts, owner of the Township Hall. A moment of silence was acknowledged in his memory.

Kelterborn: The compactor at the Transfer Station has been completed. The invoice was received today for \$2744.35. It could be added to the bills tonight.

CORRESPONDENCE

CAFFA Minutes are included. The Zoning Administrator's Report notes Tory is busy with blight issues. Building Inspector's Report, Planning Commission Minutes are included. A report from the MDEQ regarding the Transfer Station states the station was inspected and in compliance with requirements. A letter from the Prosecuting Attorney addresses the Medical Marijuana law that was passed December, 2016 and takes affect December, 2017. He states that it is both confusing and complicated and he would like to address the Board within the next four months. An email from Jim Kyle at 4756 Pt. Austin Rd. was received complaining of firearms being shot toward the beach at two different times that he saw, and across the street there was shooting. He expressed concern over safety and wanted to know what the Township is doing about it. Hartsell stated that he should call the police immediately. McCallum stated that she has contacted him also, and explained the Township's position.

PETITIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Regarding the MFR training that could be implemented at the CAFFA station, Len Pilato questioned who is responsible for the organizing and implementing of this group?

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: Kelterborn moved to pay the bills with the addition of S. Pobanz, hall maintenance, and Progressive Tool for the Transfer Station repairs, and M. Roger for medical expenses. Seconded by Fischer, all in favor, motion carried.

ROAD WORK: We haven't any word regarding tree trimming yet. Approving the brush spraying and crack sealing, Kelterborn moved to approve the work order, seconded by Hartsell. All in favor, motion carried.

Transfer Station: After hearing that the Easter Sunday participation counts at the Transfer Station appear to be the same as any other Sunday, it was agreed not to implement a holiday for that day. It was noted that Mike Roger seems to be doing well at his new job as Transfer Station attendant.

Township Hall: Property at the closed Oak Beach Tavern was looked into by our lawyer who found the owners are not interested in negotiating costs. Another piece of property was discussed on Quarry Rd. but was decided not to be acceptable for a township hall. The building that we use now is becoming unsafe in the bathroom area as the floor and the toilet are tipped, the tiling is peeled, the ceiling tiles have fallen out, and there is no hot water system. It was noted that a plumber said that our water would need a filter to make it usable in a hot water system. It was agreed to have our Building Inspector look at it and give a rough idea of what it might take to make it safe and sound.

BUDGET REVIEW: The second quarter budget was reviewed and no adjustments were necessary.

Regarding Gypsy moths, if there are any Gypsy moths sited by the residents of Lake Township, they may contact the Hall, and the secretary will keep a list.

Motion made by McCallum to adjourn at 9:20 P.M., seconded by Kelterborn. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Claren Russell, Clerk

