

LAKE TOWNSHIP, HURON COUNTY
4988 W. KINDE RD., CASEVILLE, MI. 48725
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Minutes of JANUARY 20, 2020

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those in attendance: Valerie McCallum, Nicole Collins, Clay Kelterborn, Dale Hartsell and Jim Deming. Guests-2.

Agenda: Presented with Planning Commission meeting time corrected to 7:00 PM, January 22, 2020. Two items of correspondence added to agenda. Moved by Hartsell, supported by Kelterborn to approve agenda with correction and additions. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes: Moved by Hartsell, supported by Collins to approve December 2019 Board of Trustees minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Reports -

Supervisor - I am keeping in contact with Jim Roland, Hume Township Supervisor, on the DTE issues.

Treasurer - none

Clerk – Completed training at Frankenmuth for new clerks. Completed initial online class for election officials and am currently on waitlist for required certification class at Lansing.

Trustees - none

Correspondence

CAFPA report – Written report available at township hall

Received bid from Wilkinson Corporation for Dust Control of gravel roads for \$9000, \$8000 if prepaid by February 28, 2020. Information on rates of application and roads to be treated is available and details of contract are available at the township hall. Motion made by Kelterborn, supported by Hartsell, to prepay for basic dust control and to contact Huron County Road Commission for any subsequent treatment as needed. All in favor, motion carried.

Received letter from Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy stating transfer station is in compliance as per December 10, 2019 inspection.

Received letter dated January 9, 2020 from Comcast with updates to channel lineup and upgrades.

We received a letter about a young man from Port Hope. The intent was to raise awareness of the negative results bullying can have if not addressed. There was no return address. Letter is available at the township hall.

DTE has proposed tree trimming project for 2020. Affected residents will be contacted by phone call and letter. A map of area involved is available at www.laketownship.net. Further information is available at the township hall.

The Lake Township Zoning Administrator received a letter from James Walsh concerning short term rental properties within the township. He states short-term rentals negatively affect areas in the neighborhoods where these short term rentals occur and need to be addressed in the New Zoning Ordinance. A motion to refer the letter to the township attorney was made by Collins and supported by Kelterborn to obtain a recommendation for the issue of short term rentals. All in favor, motion carried.

A letter from Sandy Pobanz requesting a raise for the monthly hall cleaning was presented. Motion by Hartsell, supported by Kelterborn was made to raise the cleaning fee to \$25/hour. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business –The Draft Zoning Ordinance is being reviewed by Attorney Cliff Bloom.

New Business - Attorney Cliff Bloom inquired whether the township is interested in adopting a shoreline erosion ordinance. Some other shoreline townships are doing so to ensure that property owners are responsible for cleaning up debris. Motion by Kelterborn, supported by Collins, was made to see if attorney would send a sample for our review to see if we are interested. All in favor, motion carried.

Poverty Resolution – Resolution 2020 – 1 was presented with updated federal poverty thresholds used for property tax relief consideration. Moved by Hartsell, supported by Kelterborn to adopt resolution. The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Board of Review Date Change Resolution – Resolution 2020 – 2 was presented to change the March Board of Review starting date of the initial meeting for taxpayer appeals to the Wednesday following the second Monday in March. This change was made to accommodate the new Election date being the second Tuesday in March. Motion by Kelterborn, supported by Hartsell, to adopt resolution. The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

A motion to table the third quarter budget review until the February Board meeting was made by McCallum, supported by Hartsell. All in favor, motion carried.

The final 2019-2020 budget review was discussed. All committees need to submit their budget review before the February Board meeting.

Payment of Bills – A correction was made to the payment to the Huron County Drain Commission. A new check will be issued in the amount of \$670.05 and old check voided. A charge for hall cleaning was added to the bills. Motion by Hartsell, supported by Collins, to pay bills with the aforementioned addition and correction. All in favor, motion carried.

Approved Board Minutes of January20, 2020

Public Comments - Jerry Pobanz mentioned that in the last issue of Focus magazine contained an article pertaining to short term rentals. Many townships have regulations covering these rentals. If no ordinance exists for your township, police power is used to control it.

Adjournment: Motion made by Hartsell to adjourn, seconded by Collins. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

James Deming, Clerk