

MASTODON TOWNSHIP BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2020

Clerk Jan Lemke called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Mastodon Township Hall. She asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members present: Clerk Jan Lemke, Treasurer Sheri Skrzyniarz, and Trustees Chad Skinner and Mike Bjork. Absent: Supervisor Frank Siewiorek

Attendees: Dan Kurtz, Andy Fleming, Stacey Watters, David South and Renee Saudan.

Changes to agenda: None.

October Meeting Minutes - Stand as written.

Treasurer Report: The Treasurer's report for October was reviewed. Sheri offered her services to train the new treasurer who will begin her term on November 20th. Mike made a motion to accept her offer to train at a rate of \$20.00 per hour. Chad seconded the motion and all were in favor. Mike indicated that Jan could oversee and assist in the transition as well. *Sheri also offered to continue keeping the website updated for \$25.00 per month which the Board felt would be very helpful. *Sheri said she checked into continuing her position as member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. There was nothing in the law that indicated she would lose her seat so she will continue on as a member there. *The Board also encouraged her to be a part of the Recreational Committee yet to be formed. With her years of service both in Alpha and the township, she could be a good fit.

Clerk's Report: Material was received from MC3 regarding their heating system. They asked if Mastodon Township would consider writing a letter of support to the State of Michigan. It was determined that the Board did not feel comfortable supporting this issue due to lack of understanding of all factors involved. *The election went very well. It was noted how fortunate Mastodon Township is to have the people who volunteered as election inspectors.

Accounts Payable & Payroll Review: Mike reviewed checks 28792 through 28851 and found no issues. Sheri made a motion to accept and the motion was seconded by Chad. All in Favor.

Supervisor's Report: No report was available since Frank was not able to attend the meeting.

Fire Department Report: Andy presented his report. A discussion took place regarding updates on the Camp 5 break in. There has been no new information received from the Sheriff's Department.

Zoning Admin. Report: Jeff was not in attendance but stated in an email that he had only received a few calls that month.

Planning Commission Report: The Planning Commission did not meet in November.

ICECA Report: Mike reported that Mark Bromley was hired as the new director.

Maintenance Report: Docks are out and he worked on getting the hall prepared for elections.

Unfinished Business:

Water Hydrant Draft: - It was decided that we would hold the draft for discussion at our next budget meeting in March.

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Hill Farm Road Matching Funds Commitment - Jan wrote a letter to the Iron County Road Commission requesting written notification that our matching funds of \$15,000 be carried forward into the 2021 year. We have not heard anything back yet.

New Business:

BOR Date Change Resolution: Jan presented a resolution changing the Board of Review date from December 15th to December 17th. The resolution was seconded by Chad and a roll call vote was taken. Sheri - yes; Chad - yes; Mike - yes; Jan - yes.

Election Inspector's Hazard Pay: Jan requested the Board's approval to give a bonus to all of the workers of our elections this year. They all went above and beyond to work during the COVID virus outbreak. Mike made a motion to pay a bonus of \$100 for each election worked by an individual. Sheri seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Other Business:

Public Comment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Lemke, Mastodon Township Clerk