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July 17, 2019

## Regular Board Meeting

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Bob Smith with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Present at the meeting-** Robert Smith, Mark Schoen, Sheryl Lauscher, Andrew Fazer and Beth Bertolini.
3. **A Motion to approve the agenda was made by Beth Bertolini, supported by Andrew Fazer . Motion carried 5-0.**
4. Guest- John Anderson-Assessor- John delivered his assessors report. The Board of Review was held on July 16 at 6 pm and it went well.
5. Public Comment- A resident said she wanted to thank all of the groups responsible for putting on a very nice Independence Day celebration and fireworks.
6. Public Comment- Janet Ducat asked if the Methodist Church could reserve the use of the Lake Pavilion for a service and picnic on August 4<sup>th</sup> in the morning. The board agreed that would be fine. It was registered that we will reserve the Pavilion for that date for the Methodist Church.
7. Public Comment- It was brought up that the Township website has been offline for a while. People are wondering when the new website will be up and running. Residents would like to see a calendar that would let people know when the rental areas of our Township are available. That was discussed when we

spoke with Mediapro about what we'd like to have built in to the new website. Andrew said he will reach Mark Whitens with these questions and get things moving.

8. **Consent Agenda- Bills, Minutes and Treasurers Reports- A motion was made by Andrew Fazer to approve the Bills, Minutes and Treasurers reports. Motion supported by Beth Bertolini. Motion carried 5-0.**
9. Action Item- Windows 10 Update- Beth said that the Michigan Bureau of Elections has required all clerks to update their computers to Windows 10 to be able to use the State Election Database or Qualified Voter File (QVF). Beth said she spoke with Marc Klieman and he said he thinks we may still be able to upgrade our system to Windows 10 at no charge. If we are not able to do this for free we will have to look into the purchase price as this is a State mandated update.
10. Action Item- Laptop for Elections- The State Bureau of Elections also is requiring the E-Poll book (EPB) to be updated to Windows 10. The Township EPB is approximately 10 years old and was procured through a State grant at no cost to the Township. Beth has been having problems with the old EPB for over a year and was advised a year ago to look into purchasing a new one. We will look into getting a new or refurbished laptop. We will not need this until the November election.
11. Action Item- Date for Special Township Board Meeting (Medical Marihuana Growing Facility)- We will be having another informational meeting about the potential Medical Marihuana Growing Facility and the ordinance that we will need to create. This meeting will be held in the gym in the upstairs of the Community Club on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. It will be run as a Township Board Meeting with all board members present. The only topic on the agenda will be this potential Medical Marihuana Growing Facility. No other topics

will be discussed. Public Comments will be kept to 3 minutes or less.

12. Action Item- Land Division to Department of Equalization  
Resolution- The Board discussed the Resolution that was sent to us by the County Board of Equalization. This is concerning a plan by the County to have the Board of Equalization handle all land divisions for each Township at a cost of \$250 per each land division. The reason for the cost is to generate funds to help each Township pay for the cost of upkeep and updates to the County-wide GIS system. We are the last Township that has not passed this resolution. We put off voting on this in June because Beth was out of the State at our last meeting due to her fathers stroke and death. The County would like to see all of the Townships in our county pass this resolution and try it out for a year. After that time we would reevaluate how things are working and see if any change is warranted. **The Board held a roll call vote and the resolution passed 5-0.** Beth will scan the resolution and send it to the appropriate County officials along with a note with the concerns that were expressed by our residents at this meeting.
13. Action Item- Roads Update- The MCRC has begun the process to double chip seal Vega Road at the location where they had previously said they would repair it at their cost. We are still waiting to find out when Fahrner Asphalt can begin on West Third Street. Bob will call the MCRC to find out what is the plan for both of these road repair projects.
14. Action Item- Fire Department Millage- Beth said she had done some research and our Fire Department Millage ran out at the end of 2018. To get funding for 2019- 2022 we will need to place the millage renewal on the ballot for this November's election. **A Motion was made by Mark Schoen, supported by Sheryl Lauscher to proceed with registering the millage**

**renewal proposal with the County Clerk for the November Election. Motion carried 5-0.** This must be done before

August 13<sup>th</sup> to get it on the ballot for the November election.

15. Public Comment- Levi Danielson presented the board with his business plan for the potential Medical Marihuana Growing Facility as he said he would at the last informational meeting. The board will read this over before the next meeting and share it with residents when asked.
16. Public Comment- A resident asked about the flags in town and who is responsible for putting them out for holidays and what are those holidays. **A Motion was made by Mark Schoen, supported by Sheryl Lauscher to have the Township make it our policy for employees to put up the flags for Memorial Day, Flag Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and Veteran's Day. Motion carried 5-0.** The board will look into some newer holiday flags. The ones we have are getting worn and faded.
17. Public Comment- A resident asked what is the rule for the Township getting gas from the Wildwood. It was explained that if any township employee including board members needs gas in the Township truck for Township purposes they can charge it to the Township account at the Wildwood. It should be signed by that employee and the department to be charged should also be listed on that charge slip. Only Township employees are allowed to get gas in cans for the mowers, weed eaters or tractors. They should also sign for this and list the correct department to be charged.
18. **Adjournment- There being no further business before the Board a Motion was made to adjourn at 7:41 pm by Andrew Fazer, supported by Mark Schoen. Motion carried, 5-0.**