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June 19, 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, and Andrew Fazer.
3. Guest- John Anderson- Assessor-John spoke about the resolution that was sent to our Board for approval. It concerns generating funds to support the County GIS System by giving the approval for all future land divisions to the Board of Equalization and charging for them. At first it was proposed to charge \$30 per parcel that is divided. This would mean a \$60 fee to divide a property into two parcels. The resolution that was sent most recently is asking for a fee of \$250 if the division or combination is processed between January through November 1st. An extra \$50 would be charged if the division or combination is processed between November 1st and December 15th. An divisions of combinations applied for after December 15th will be processed in January. John wants us to consider the resolution and advises that one of our Board members go to the next Menominee County Township Association meeting to hear more about this. The July Board of Review will be held on July 16th at 6pm. It will be a short meeting considering PRE's, poverty exemptions, qualified forest, clerical errors and veterans exemptions. Summer taxes will be going out July 1st.
4. Public Comment- Levi Danielson spoke about the Medical Marijuana meeting that was held on June 12th. He thanked everyone who came out and said he has information for anyone who would like to know more about it.

5. Public Comment- Someone asked why the flags were not hung out in town for Memorial weekend. It seems that there was a lack of communication on who is responsible for hanging the flags. We will have to come up with a plan to get the flags out for the 4th of July.
6. Public Comment- A resident asked if there would be any repairs done to the damaged guard rail on Earle Drive. Bob Smith said that he asked about it at the MCRC board meeting and was told that it is one their schedule for repair, but they haven't gotten to it yet because they are busy with other repairs.
7. Public Comment- A resident asked about the large number of dogs that are currently living across the street from the Elementary school. The current renter there has 2 sled dog teams living on that property. It is a small yard and apartment. Two of the dogs were loose and off the property earlier this week. Meyer Township does not have any ordinances or rules at this time about how many dogs are permitted per household. We will talk to the County Sherriff to find out what laws may be in place in our county or state. Bob Smith will talk to the property owner and find out what the intentions are with these dogs.
8. Item- Relic Riders- Chris Hanna-Chris said that the Relic Riders will be moving their annual Antique Snowmobile Show to Hermansville. For this club to hold raffles or any type of fundraising they need to show that they are a non-profit organization and make the Township Board aware of their status and intentions. Chris has a paper that shows this and it needs to be filled out by a Board member and sent to the State. He left the paper with the Board and they will fill out whatevr is necessary and pass it along.
9. Public Comment- An EDC Board member asked if the whole Board will be watching the Informational Marijuana Webinar that was purchased from Michigan State University County Extension. The Board said they all plan to watch the webinar series. He also asked why the EDC Board had not been approached about a potential business trying to locate in Meyer Township. He also suggested that the Board make their decision on the potential Medical Marihuana growing facility ordinance be based on the Township's voting records concerning Marihuana.

10. Public Comment- A resident asked if there would be a barrier placed at the edge of the Parking area at the Lake/Pond Park. Andrew Fazer said he had spoken recently with Tyler Plunger about the concrete barriers that are supposed to be moved from Wendricks Truss to the Park Parking area. They are very heavy and we will need the right equipment to move, haul and set these barriers in place. It was also asked if the Township has an ordinance concerning junk cars. There is an ordinance, but we do not have an official ordinance enforcement officer and the police do not want to step in over local situations unless it is enforceable by State law. He specifically mentioned the alley between Oak and Linden. There are many junk cars along that alley and elsewhere in town. Another citizen mentioned the homes with heaps of garbage near neighbors and children. The Township needs properly written, legal ordinances that can be enforced with set penalties. At this time the current ordinances need updating by an attorney.
11. **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 Mark Schoen. Motion carried 4-0.**
12. Action Item- Roads Updates- Bob Smith said that he attended the last MCRC meeting. The company we intend to have to work on our Township roads (Fahrner Asphalt Sealers) is looking for to be a pulverizer. When they have a pulverizer and Township and County agree on pricing, West Third Street will be the first road to be done. The MCRC will begin dust oil control soon.
13. Action Item- Fireworks- The Hermansville Fireworks Committee is asking the Township to pay for the insurance for the Fireworks Event to be held on July 6th. The Fireworks committee's funds are very low and the insurance was increased this year from \$600 to \$700. This one million dollars in coverage for that event. The funds would come out of the Township General Fund. Sheryl says we are in good enough shape to cover this expense. **A Motion was made by Andrew Fazer, supported by Sheryl Lauscher to pay for the Fireworks Insurance coverage for \$700. Motion carried 4-0.**
14. Action Item- Medical Marihuana Meeting Plan- Andrew Fazer said that we will be having a Special Board meeting to give more information

about the potential Medical Marijuana growing facility. The Board has six webinar classes to view between now and October. The next meeting will be held in early August. It will be advertised in Luft's Advertiser, on the Township Website and at various locations in town.

15. Action Item- Raise for Summer Help- Our Summer help employee would like to request a pay raise. He was instructed to place that request in writing and present it to the Board.
16. Board Comment- Andrew mentioned that the phone number for the Township wasn't on the last minutes. Beth was notified and it will be added to all future minutes.
17. Board Comment- Mark said that the Sportsmans Club had received a grant from the Health Department for 4 hand washing sinks to go along with the Port-o-Pottys that will be at the Park for the Independence Day Celebration.
18. Board Comment- Sheryl brought up the dumpsters for the Town Clean Up Day scheduled for June 22 from 8am-1pm.
19. **Adjournment- There being no further business before the Board a Motion was made to adjourn at 7:15 pm by Andrew Fazer, supported by Sheryl Lauscher. Motion carried, 4-0.**