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November 18, 2020

Regular Board Meeting

(Due to current Covid mandate, meeting took place through live telephone conference that was open to the public)

1. Meeting was called to order by Bob Smith at 6:30 pm.
2. Present at the meeting- Bob Smith, Sheryl Lauscher, Mark Schoen, Andrew Fazer and Beth Bertolini.
3. Public Present Through phone call- Brenton Ayotte, Chris Fazer, Chad Knodl.
4. **A Motion was made to approve the agenda with the addition of Cyber Insurance. Motion made by Andrew Fazer, supported by Mark Schoen to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.**
5. Consent Agenda- Bills, Minutes and Treasurers Reports- **A motion to approve the Bills, Minutes and Treasurer's Reports with the additions of \$150.00 for Amber's Cleaning Service (post election) and \$331.49 for Insight Deisel Feul (165 gal for Twp Garage). Total bills of \$20,775.03. Motion made by Beth Bertolini, supported by Mark Schoen. Motion carried, 5-0.**
6. Action Items- Public Library Closure- The Health Department has recommended that we temporarily close the "In Person" use of the Public Library to go along with the most recent mandates from the State. We are hoping that the Library can be open for curbside pick-up and drop off. We are trying to protect the Community Action and Library employees with this limited use while still allowing people to have access to reading materials. Andrew will send a letter explaining this to the Menominee County Public Library Director. **A Motion was made to temporarily limit the Public Library to Cubside Pick-up. Motion made by Mark Schoen, supported by Beth Bertolini. Motion carried 5-0.**
7. Action Item- Sewer Reporting- Beth said that she has been doing the reporting of sewer discharge monitoring results for a couple of years. She has worked with the Marquette EGLE (Environment, Great Lakes and Energy) office to keep the Township Sewer up to date in the MiWaters system as required by the State. The wastewater engineer that she has been working with is hoping that when the new board takes over there will be continuity with this reporting. Beth is willing to stay on as an hourly employee to do this reporting. It is usually about an hour or

less per month. This will be up to the newly elected board to decide. The EGLE office asked her to let the Board know that this must be taken care of. The EGLE engineer would like this to be on the next agenda and he will be available to be in on a conference call to discuss this.

8. Action Item- New Township Officers- The officers that were elected on November 3rd will need to reach out to MTA about any training and to get with the officers who had the job previously for passwords and other pertinent information. Chad Knodl will be sworn in as Township Clerk on Friday and will then swear in the rest of the new Board.
9. Action Item- Cyber Insurance Coverage- Our Township insurance agent (Mark Hannula) called to ask if the Township has decided if we'd like the Cyber Insurance on our computers and network. It will cover up to \$100,000 in repairs if your system is hacked. At this time the Board feels that the anti-virus program they are required by the State to carry is sufficient. We ask that all Board members use extreme caution when opening emails. Especially during tax season and any election. We do not do credit card transactions or wire transfers from our computers.

A Motion was made to turn down the cyber coverage at this time. Motion made by Sheryl Lauscher, supported by Mark Schoen. Motion carried 5-0.

10. Board Comment- Sheryl asked if someone was going to be pushing back the brush at the township compost/yard waste pile. Bob said he would try to reach the Whitens's to have them push that back. Their equipment is heavier than ours.
11. Board Comment- Chris Fazer said that he feels that anyone holding township officer positions should become proficient with computers and email as it is very necessary in these times for communication and getting the job done properly.
12. Board Comment- Beth said that the paper shredder shorted out and tripped the breaker and will not turn on anymore. Also, possibly as a result of the breaker being tripped, the scanning feature of our printer is no longer working. It is not communicating with our emails to save to file.
13. Board Comment- Mark said that the DNR Trailhead in the park by the highway is in progress. He thinks the DNR will cover the costs of the Trailhead.
14. Board Comment- Mark said that the Director of Golden Shores/Hermansville Housing is leaving the position. They will be advertising for a new director.
15. **There being no further business before the Board a Motion was made to adjourn at 7:10 pm by Andrew Fazer, supported by Sheryl Lauscher. Motion carried, 5-0.**