

The Austin Township Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kenneth Vredenburg at the Township Hall at 14132 Pierce Road, Stanwood, Michigan, 49346 on November 10, 2015.

Present were: Kenneth Vredenburg, Elizabeth G Carr, Carolyn Towsley, John Brockway, and Sandra Mayo. There was one guest present.

Public Comment: Commissioner Art Adelman-The parking lot is paved at the morgue. The pole barn for the police boat is finished. An upgrade is in progress to GIS. Some parcels are missing so they are stretching the corners to the maps lay better.

Minutes: Moved by Sandra Mayo, supported by Carolyn Towsley to accept the minutes with corrections: Payments of the Bills: "with the addition of check #8598 for \$10.12" should be \$35.12, and #4 Clerk's Report: Audits for 2016-2019 should read-"2016 Audit/ F-65 Report \$3,000.00, 2017 Adjusting and closing books/ F-65 \$900.00, 2018 Audit/ F-65 \$3,100.00, 2019 Adjusting and closing books/F-65 \$950.00. With a total of \$7,950.00." Motion carried.

Financial Report: The Township has received their reimbursement for the May School Election of \$860.76. There were three Cemetery lot sales.

Payment of the Bills: Moved by John Brockway, supported by Sandra Mayo to approve for payment Township check #'s 8598-8621 and to pay Megan Guilliani for 2.5 hours for attending the meeting for Carolyn last month, and Cemetery Check # 1545. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

1. Fire Department and First Responder Report: John Brockway attended the 131 Corridor Fire Meeting. Shared services and consolidation were discussed. The greatest needs are the shortness of budgets and personnel. Ron is checking to see if there is any trade-in value in the old radios. The next meeting will be November 18, 2015 at 7 p.m. at the Fire Hall.
2. Assessor and Supervisor Report: Moved by Carolyn Towsley, supported by John Brockway to reject the foreclosed properties that were not sold at auction that Austin Township received from the State of Michigan. Motion carried. The Road Commission has requested the list of proposed projects for Summer 2016. Austin Township's only proposed project will be to blacktop 180th Avenue. The Cemetery Board will be bidding out the mowing of the Stanwood Cemetery for 2016. There will be no action for a year on the proposed turkey farm on 180th Ave.
3. Treasurer's Report: The new Winter Tax Bills will be out the week of Thanksgiving. The EMS Director spoke at the MCTA Meeting. There were 106 foreclosures this year. 16 sold, so 86 will be going back to the State of Michigan. Mecosta Township will be starting recycling on Saturdays from 9-12.
4. Clerk's Report: There were 89 absent voters and 53 walk-in voters for a total of 142 voters for the MOISD Special Election. The millage passed. The election dates for 2016 are: March 8, 2016- Presidential Primary Election, August 2, 2016. The Consumers Energy Resolution process is done. I received a FOIA request from Michigan@openthebooks.com. The appropriate documents have been sent.

New Business:

1. Burnham and Flower Resolution: Moved by Carolyn Towsley, supported by Sandra Mayo to adopt Austin Township Resolution 15-05 of the Burnham and Flower Insurance Group Restatement of Plan Documents.
Carolyn Towsley-yes Sandra Mayo-yes John Brockway-yes

Elizabeth G Carr-yes

Kenneth Vredenburg-yes

2. FYI: The office Christmas Party will be December 8, 2015 at 6:45 p.m.

Adjournment: 8:50 p.m.

Elizabeth G Carr

Austin Township Clerk