

Austin Township Board Meeting

November 9th, 2021

The Austin Township board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Kenneth Vredenburg at the Township Hall at 14132 Pierce Rd, Stanwood, MI 49346.

Board members present: Kenneth Vredenburg, Billie Jean Barnes(virtual using zoom), Carolyn Towsley, John Brockway and Sandra Mayo

Guests Present: Tom O'neil was present.

7:35 p.m. Call to order - Pledge of allegiance

I. Public Comment

1. Tom O'neil discussed the counties covid relief fund, and told us that the Morgue contract was renewed.

III. Approval of minutes

- Carolyn Towsley moves to approve the October 12th board meeting minutes as presented, supported by Sandra Mayo. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of Treasurer's Township and Cemetery Reports

- General Fund reports match.
- Accounts receivable- Billie and Carolyn need to call Doug.
- There will not be an excel worksheet to DBL check account balances, Carolyn will now reconcile with Billie utilizing Quickbooks.
- Property Tax, took in money and sent money out.
- Cemetery reports match, there was a lot sale.
- subject to audit. Motion Carried.

V. Payment of Township and Cemetery Bills

- Carolyn Towsley moved to approve Township payment checks # 10196-10220, and cemetery payment checks # 1688 supported by Sandra Mayo. Motion carried.

VI. Unfinished Business

A. Assessor's and Supervisors Report

- Tullymore- in negotiation, there was an offer sent back, waiting to hear back from them.
- There was a junk complaint received.
- There was a complaint against Sackett Potatoes, we received a letter with the findings.

B. Treasurer's Report

- CDARS account matured on November 4th, it will roll over for another year.
- Winter Taxes will be sent out by December 1st.

C. Clerk's Report

- Nothing to report

D. Covid Fund

- Still trying to decide what to use this money on. It could be used for the Fire department, premium pay for election workers. The MTA website has a list of other things it can be used for. We will need a plan submitted by April 30th, 2022.

VII. New Business

- A. Kenn gave us the passer rating, he will be attending the Road Commission meeting. He would like to encourage the County Commissioners to match the Road commissions money.

Kenn Vredenburg made a motion to sign the Road Project Assistance Resolution, supported by Carolyn Towsley. Motion carries.

- B. We will start working on the Brine contract for 2022.
- C. Paul Griffith called to share his support of the bike trail that Morton Township would like us to take part in.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm

Billie Jean Barnes