

## GUSTIN TOWNSHIP - ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, November 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Brege.

Present: Supervisor Brege, Treasurer Leeseberg, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Ginder and Trustee Goddard. Guests: Gary Leeseberg and Claudette Thomas.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Ginder to approve the agenda.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Assessor Somers noted the Board of Review will be on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. He noted he has been out doing fieldwork. The stated the Alcona County Road Commission will be having their open house for the new building on December 5<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 2 pm.

**Motion by Brege, seconded by Leeseberg to approve the October minutes as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer Leeseberg discussed with the board the Treasurer's reports thru October 31<sup>st</sup> 2015. She noted the expenses and the deposits. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by LaVergne to approve the October Treasurer's report as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:**

Zoning administrator Brege updated the board and said that Lincoln Estates is working on getting their final approvals. He sent a letter stating that the township did not want control over their water system. He noted that at 638 S. Stockton Rd. Ross Botha is trying to get a licensing for firearms. The property needs to be zoned for retail (it is a federal requirement). He would like to attend the next zoning meeting and ask for a variance. He has permission from his neighbors.

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Voting update: Muriel informed the board it was a low turnout. The township had 93 voters. There were not any problems during the day; it ran very smoothly. Both proposals passed.
- Supervisor Brege attended the Chapter quarterly meeting. He informed the board there were not any big topics. He noted they discussed the recent foia request that all townships received investigating the voting process. Supervisor Brege went to the county clerk and talked to her and she gave him some information for the request and also the State of Michigan provided a line by line response to it as well. Sounded like all townships were taking care of the request and sending in their responses. There were representatives there from Alcona High School talking about the upcoming proposals.
- Gustin township received a work comp refund of \$68.34. There were no accidents and it was a 6% dividend return.
- Uniform video service local franchise act: They would like the township to complete a survey by Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>. Clerk LaVergne will do the survey.
- Construction codes: received the 2015 residential code updates.
- Sheriff report read and placed on file.
- MTA Workshops: Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> in Cadillac and Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> in Frankenmuth on Writing, adopting and enforcing ordinances. Cost is \$121.00 per person.
- MDOT transportation bonanza: Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> at the Lansing Center. \$80.00 per person.
- MTA workshop Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> in Mt. Pleasant on township finances. Creating a vision for your township workshop is on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> in Mt. Pleasant.
- Supervisor Brege attended the DDA Meeting in Lincoln. They voted in and renewed the tax capture. Supervisor Brege asked them to attend a township meeting to explain to the Gustin Township board their tax capture process.
- Noticed received from the DEQ on the landfill on Hubbard Lake Road. They performed testing of the wells and submitted the results. Ground contamination is still on site. The notice went to several public officials.
- Alcona County Road Commission held a meeting on Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> for planning the use of future federal funding of transportation money.
- Supervisor Brege received a letter from the Alcona County Board of Commissioners on the GIS data file information. They would like to schedule a meeting to discuss the GIS program and how they will do the cost sharing arrangement for all townships. Assessor Somers noted that he has the program downloaded and it is ready to go.

### **BUSINESS:**

December Board of Review date: December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Need to post the date 18 hours in advance. It will be on Homestead, disabled vets and clerical errors. There will not be any tax changes or appeals at this meeting.

The cemetery deed was signed for Breda Cordes. A copy will be sent to her by clerk LaVergne.

A four year college resolution was sent to the board. They would like the township board to pass a resolution to support a four year college in the local area (Alpena Area). The board discussed the resolution and tabled it until the next meeting,

New Board of Review member: Claudette Thomas submitted a letter of interest for the open seat on the board of review.

**Motion by Brege, seconded by Leeseberg to appoint Claudette Thomas to the Board of Review for Gustin Township. Roll Call: Yes: Brege, Ginder, Goddard, Leeseberg and LaVergne. No-None.**

Supervisor Brege Swore in Claudette Thomas to the board of review board in the oath of office book of the Township.

The Michigan State police lease was discussed by the board. The board agreed to raise the lease to \$2100.00 per year. The increase was based on an economic increase and from increased expenses at the township hall.

The clerk informed the board there was a budget adjustment needed.

**Motion by Brege, seconded by Leeseberg to move \$58.00 from 253-760 summer school tax, \$17.00 from 400-727 office supplies and \$50.00 from 276-703 mowing to 803-200 lights. Roll Call: Yes- Brege, Goddard, Leeseberg, Ginder and LaVergne.**

**Motion by Brege, seconded by Goddard to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$4,092.48 check numbers 9107-9121. Roll Call: Yes-Brege, Goddard, Leeseberg, Ginder and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

The meeting was adjourned by Brege at 7:53 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on December 21st at 7:00 p.m.

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Clerk

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Supervisor