

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP - ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on March 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Goddard.

Present: Supervisor Goddard, Treasurer Leeseberg, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Ginder and Trustee Lipscomb. Guests: Ted Somers, Assessor.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Leeseberg to approve the agenda with the addition of placing an ad for cemetery mowing.**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Assessor Somers spoke of a priority mail piece that he did not get in time for the board of review. The protest was not heard because it was not received in time. He called the people and they were not happy about it. He is expecting to hear back from them again. He will keep the board informed of what happens. He told the board about a tribunal case that he had been monitoring online. He said he was in default for not responding to it. The case was dismissed because they didn't respond so he didn't think he had to respond. He found out that even after it is disposed he is still to respond. He will now send in a revised response to it and write them a letter to explain what happened.

**Motion by Ginder, seconded by Lipscomb to approve the February minutes as presented.**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer Leeseberg discussed with the board the Treasurer's report thru February 28, 2017. She noted the expenses and the deposits. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Ginder to approve the February Treasurer's report as presented.**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:**

Supervisor Goddard updated the board for Zoning Administrator Brege and noted there had not been any activity.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- MTA par plan. Sent nominating forms. They are looking for representatives for the par plan.
- MDOT holding an Annual Rural Elected officials meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm in East Tawas Council Chambers.
- Par Plan news passed out.
- Information received from Centec Cast Metal Products. A price list for grave markers/flags for the cemetery.

**BUSINESS:**

**Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Ginder to adopt the 2017-18 Budget Appropriations Act. Roll Call: Yes-Lipscomb, Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

There was a short discussion on the meeting dates and times for the upcoming year.

**Motion by Ginder, seconded by Lipscomb to keep the meeting dates the same and change the time to 6:30 pm for the Regular Board Meetings. Regular Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month, Zoning/Planning Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Quarter and the Board of Review is set by the State of Michigan. Roll Call: Yes- Lipscomb, Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Motion by Ginder, seconded by Lipscomb to accept the deposit resolution for 2017/18. Roll Call: Yes-Ginder, Lipscomb, Goddard, LaVergne and Leeseberg. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

There was a brief discussion on the official depositories.

**Motion by Ginder, seconded by Lipscomb to keep the official depositories the same as the previous year. Those being Huron Community and Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union. Roll Call: Yes-Lipscomb, Goddard, Leeseberg, Ginder and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

The board discussed the investment policy. Treasurer Leeseberg noted that Huron Community Bank was liquid.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Ginder to approve the current investment policy. Roll Call: Yes- Lipscomb, Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Board of Review Update: It was very slow. There were 5 written petitions, one in person petition and two tax payers came in with questions. There are two poverty exemptions to go to the July Board of Review. Assessor Somers gave the board the new increased numbers for the year.

The new contract for services was received from the courthouse for January 1, 2017- December 31, 2019. Supervisor Goddard would like the board members to look it over and it will be tabled until the next meeting. There was a suggestion to talk to the County Commissioners if the board would like to see changes made.

The Audit Bid was received from Stephenson and Gracik. They will begin as early as May 2017.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Ginder to accept the audit bid from Stephenson and Gracik for \$4910.00. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, LaVergne, Leeseberg and Lipscomb. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

There was discussion to place another ad in the newspaper to get bids for mowing the cemetery.

**Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Lipscomb to place an ad in the Alcona Review and one in the Oscoda Press for mowing at the Twin Lakes Cemetery; ad to run for 2 weeks and work comp would be needed with the bid. Roll call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, Lipscomb and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Clerk LaVergne noted there would need to be some budget adjustments.

**Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Goddard to increase the fire millage expense by \$11,523.14 by using fund balance. Roll call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, Lipscomb and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Lipscomb to move \$178.88 from 262-702 Election Board Salary, \$178.81 from 265-931 Repairs Maint. Hall, \$172.14 from 265-925 Gas heat , and \$118.12 from 265-923 Electricity to \$54.00 101-102 Twp. Board Expense, to 253-727 Treasurer Office Supplies \$42.97, to 402-900 BOR advertising \$47.00, to 656-100 Social Security and Medicare \$49.24 and \$454.74 to 102-270 Computer Township expense. Roll Call: Yes-Lipscomb, Goddard, Leeseberg, Ginder and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Ginder to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$4,578.58 check numbers 9475-9500. Roll Call: Yes-Lipscomb, Goddard, Leeseberg, Ginder and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

The meeting was adjourned by Goddard at 7:45 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on April 17th at 6:30 p.m.

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Clerk

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Supervisor