

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP - ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on April 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Goddard.

Present: Supervisor Goddard, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Ginder and Trustee Lipscomb and Treasurer Leeseberg. Guest: Assessor Somers, Zoning Administrator Brege and Cemetery Sexton Schram.

Motion by Lipscomb, seconded by Goddard to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Lipscomb, seconded by Ginder to approve the Budget Hearing Minutes.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Assessor Somers updated the board on the poverty exemption to the tribunal. He has corrected the default and he is waiting to hear back from them. They have not issued a date yet. He has also not heard back from the late letter he received from the last board of review. Alcona County Commissioner Brege gave the board an update of what has been happening at the courthouse. He also noted that Gustin Township should be looking **at their master plan in the near future.**

Motion by Lipscomb, seconded by Ginder to approve the March minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Leeseberg gave a report her updated report. She balances with the bank and the clerk.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Lipscomb to approve the March treasurers report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning administrator Brege reported that there was one new permit last month for an F-41 property. He said he has had no issues or complaints.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Consumers sent a notice they upgraded the hall meter.
- Sheriff Report read and placed on file.
- MTA chapter meeting on April 18 at Alcona Township hall at 7 pm.

BUSINESS:

Cemetery Clean up date was set for May 6th at 9 am. Clerk LaVergne will publish in the Alcona Review. Murial will contact the honor society and the FFA to see if anyone can help. The rain date will be May 13th at 9 am.

Motion by Lipscomb, seconded by Leeseberg to publish the Cemetery clean up in the review. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, Lipscomb and LaVergne. No - None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

John Hartley discussed a new design and cost of a web page for Gustin Township with the board. He said it would be inexpensive and easy to set up and maintain. It will be approximately \$125.00 per year thru Go daddy. He will create it and the board will take it over. He will be working with Trustee Lipscomb to get it set up.

Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Goddard to approve the website creation and purchase a Go Daddy domain to establish a website for Gustin Township. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, LaVergne, Leeseberg and Lipscomb. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Goddard discussed the contract for services from the Equalization Department. The board discussed the options and what the board thought they needed from the list of fees. Assessor Somers and Treasurer Leeseberg will let them know which services the township will need.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Lipscomb to sign the contract for services with Equalization. Roll call: Yes-Lipscomb, Goddard, LaVergne, Leeseberg and Ginder. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Treasurer Leeseberg talked to the board about her internet services. With the new BS & A program she will need unlimited data for the downloads and updates. She has talked to Verizon about a service that is available with a government discount. It is \$39.99 for unlimited services and the price will not change. It can be a router or a hot spot.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Lipscomb to allow Treasurer Leeseberg receive the Verizon internet services. Roll call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, Lipscomb and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The annual Geographic information Systems Data and Cost Sharing agreement was received from the County. It is \$50.00 a year. There was discussion from the board.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Ginder to sign the contract/agreement with the County for the cost sharing agreement in the amount of \$50.00. Roll call: Yes-Ginder, Goddard, Leeseberg, Lipscomb and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Received two lawn mowing bids for the Cemetery. One from Stout \$425.00 a mowing and one from the Chosen Ranch for \$425.00 per mowing. There was discussion on who to award the bid to.

Motion by Lipscomb, seconded by Ginder to award the lawn mowing bid to the Chosen Ranch for \$425.00 per mowing. Roll call: Yes-Goddard, Lipscomb, Ginder, Leeseberg and LaVergne. No-none. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Received C & S Dust Control contract for 2017. The rate was the same as last year. Gustin Township will pay up to 50% for 300 feet. Clerk LaVergne will publish this in the Review.

Motion by Ginder, seconded by Lipscomb to accept the C & S Dust Control contract for the 2017 year of Gustin Township paying for 50% up to 300 feet (\$120.00 maximum). Roll Call: Yes-Lipscomb, Leeseberg, Goddard, Ginder and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Lipscomb, seconded by Leeseberg to place the C & S dust control ad in the Alcona Review. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, Lipscomb and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Goddard read the BS & A information agreement for the Treasurer's new software. There is \$2890.00 remaining due to BS & A. There will be a \$580.00 enhancement fee.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Lipscomb to sign the licensing and support agreements for BS & A. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, LaVergne, Lipscomb and Leeseberg. No-none. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Ginder, seconded by Goddard to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$6093.98 check numbers 9501-9518. Roll Call: Yes-Lipscomb, Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg and LaVergne. No-None. MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting was adjourned by Goddard at 8:10 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on May 15th at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor