

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP - ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on August 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Klinger.

Present: Supervisor Klinger, Treasurer Leeseburg, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Ginder, Trustee Brege and Assessor Somers. Guest: Deputy Clerk Muriel Goddard

Motion by Klinger, seconded by Ginder to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Assessor Somers told the board he is meeting with TMA people tomorrow at 3:40 pm in Harrisville. He noted there was a new employee at the Road Commission; referring to Clerk LaVergne. Things are going well at the road commission and the road projects are getting done.

Motion by Klinger, seconded by Leeseberg to approve the July Regular meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Leeseberg discussed with the board the Treasurer's report thru July 31, 2014. She noted the expenses and the deposits. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

Motion by Klinger, seconded by Brege to approve the July Treasurer's report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning administrator Brege reported that he issued two permits last month. He mailed out two letters and sent three emails on the planning commission information he was getting to the township people who asked for it at the public meeting. He has not received a response on the letters yet. He told the board he drove by the windmill that was mentioned at the last meeting. He will issue a letter if the board wants to pursue it. He had another attempted contact on the trailer park but has not received a response. He informed the board that he has expressed interest in the Mikado Township zoning administrator position that is currently open.

Election Update: Clerk LaVergne noted the election went well. There were a few minor glitches but they were taken care of with Patti.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Harrisville Arts Council sent a notice if the Township wanted to put a float in the parade. Supervisor Klinger asked the board if anyone was interested. He will send the postcard back letting them know that the board cannot attend with a float this year.
- Meth Lab Information forum. It is like a citizen's watch and they are putting on information seminar with the local police. They will meet at the Lincoln Senior Center on Monday, September 22nd at 7 pm.
- MTA - Sent training information on Lawful and Unlawful Expenditures. There are 3 meetings being held. September 18, 23 and 25th at Battle Creek, Midland and Boyne Falls.
- Michigan Assoc. of Planning Annual Conference at the Grand Hotel at Mackinaw Island on October 8-10th.

BUSINESS:

Road update: Supervisor Klinger has driven around to see the projects. The chip seals are completed and the gravel road work is done on Cruzen and Woodman. They have been cutting and clearing on McConnell Rd. All the contract work has been completed.

Lease Update: Supervisor Klinger will get a copy of the back page of the Lease with the signatures on it to Pastor Sheldon. Pastor Sheldon is waiting for their insurance company to provide them with a policy. He will get it to the board when he gets it. There was a discussion and all the board would need is a copy of their liability insurance portion and not the entire policy.

Troy Somers sent the tax rates on the L-4029 form. It is the report for the Fire and Road Mileages. It is a 1.69 fixed percent. The mileage for the road is 1.99 mil and expires in 2015; the fire is 1 mil and expires in 2015. Supervisor Klinger and Clerk LaVergne will sign the report and sent it back to him.

Rick Dual from Nemcog sent a letter to the township regarding the Lake Huron Watershed Collaboration. It is a letter to present ideas. Denise from Nemcog sent out an email in response to this letter. The letter he sent contains a review of the current ordinance or the updated one. The letter is about water resource protection options presented and doesn't reflect current individual/specific needs and circumstances.

FOIA: Supervisor Klinger sent out an email on the conversation with Dave Cook. Dave is comfortable with what the township has in place. He advised the board to keep the fee schedule in place for a formal request that may take more time than normal and then the

board would be able to charge if they needed to. He said that the board does not have to charge if it is not in writing it is up to the board to decide how to handle the fees. Assessor Somers asked if it is an email does that mean it is in writing. Supervisor Klinger will ask Dave Cook and let the board know.

Water heater update: Trustee Brege suggested using a point of use water heater. He said the hall has a 120V limited amp plug. He has researched and there is a 6 gallon model that can be a point of use. His question is if the board members would be ok to put it in or do they need a contractor to do it for liability reasons? He was also wondering if a permit would be needed to do it. Price wise the township could do it for approximately \$300 or less but if a contractor is needed it would be more money. Supervisor Klinger will talk to a few people and get some prices on having one installed. Trustee Brege recommends a small point of use model and will email Supervisor Klinger the model he found so he can explain it to the contractors he talks to.

Treasurer Leeseberg mentioned she had a coupon from Quill that was \$200.00 worth of supplies for \$100.00 off. She asked the board if anyone needed supplies. Assessor Somers and Clerk LaVergne could use envelopes and Trustee Brege needs legal size hanging file folders. Treasurer Leeseberg needs paper and cleaning supplies for the hall. Clerk LaVergne could also use paper and toner for the printer. She will look into the cost of the items to see if they total \$100.00 to get the discount.

Supervisor Klinger noted the Board of Review went well. One person came in and what he was looking for they could not handle at that time. The board handled three to four exemptions, one poverty exemption within the village limits and six petitions, one veteran that will be retroactive back one year. The personal property taxes will be phased out over the next few years.

Clerk LaVergne noted the Grave open/close and the Election mileage items on the budget needed to be amended.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Leeseberg to move \$2000.00 from the surplus to Grave open and close #276-934. Roll Call: Yes-Brege, Klinger, Leeseberg, Ginder and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Brege to move \$81.00 from 262-864 to 262-860 to cover the amendment to Election Mileage on the budget. Roll Call: Yes: Brege, Ginder, Klinger, Leeseberg and LaVergne.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Klinger, seconded by Ginder to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$4785.44 check numbers 8767-8787. Roll Call: Yes-Brege, Klinger, Leeseberg, Ginder and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting was adjourned by Klinger at 8:08 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on September 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor