

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on September 17, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Goddard.

Present: Supervisor Goddard, Treasurer Leeseberg, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Ginder, and Trustee Goldstrom. Guests: Ted Somers, Assessor, Adam Brege, Zoning Administrator and Barb Schram, Cemetery Sexton, Ken Short and John Schlicker.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ken Short talked about the upcoming millage for the County of Alcona. He is not in favor of it and would encourage people to vote no on it. He would like to see more information from the Commissioners on what they would do with the millage money before he would change his mind on the vote.

Assessor Somers reported he attended the meeting with Senator Stamas and there has been no new movement on the assessing reform. He has not received a report on the AMAR yet.

Brege on behalf of the County Commissioners reported they are working with the school to put together a government education program. MSU extension and the school are collaborating and they want to bring the kids out into the townships to the meetings to see what is happening. He was wondering if Gustin Township would be willing to participate. Supervisor Goddard said the township would be willing to participate and to keep us informed. He will inform Mr. Terpstra a teacher at the school that is part of the program that Gustin Township is interested. He reported he is working on budgets at the court house if the millage passes and if it doesn't pass. It includes the possible cuts they will have to make.

**Motion by Goldstrom, seconded by Ginder to approve the August minutes as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer Leeseberg discussed with the board the Treasurer's report thru August 31, 2018. She noted the expenses and the deposits. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:**

Zoning administrator Brege reported that Mrs. Becker had received her letter he wrote on the blight. She called him to discuss it and said she was too old and that he would probably not see any improvements. He will call her again in a couple of weeks to see if she has made any progress. He will stop by and talk to the Holmes's about their property blight and let them know what the next step will be if they don't start to clean up their property.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Sheriff report was read and placed on file
- Supervisor Notes:
  - Recycle Alcona teamed up with the DEQ and will have a residential scrap tire drop off day on September 29<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 2 pm at the ARA site in Lincoln.
  - Sue Allor will be at the courthouse in Harrisville on Friday 9/21/18 from 1-2 pm.
  - There will be a septic system seminar at the courthouse in Harrisville on Thursday 9/20/18 from 3-4:30 pm.

**BUSINESS:**

Approval of Ordinance No. 1 of 2018 was discussed. They are the changes that were approved for the ordinance. This will be published in the Alcona Review.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Leeseberg to approve the changes to the ordinance as in Gustin Township Ordinance No. 1 of 2018. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, Goldstrom and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Supervisor Goddard requested that Pam Ashford and Neil Barlow of the planning commission be allowed to attend a workshop for Solar Energy Development. It will be held in Alpena on September 19<sup>th</sup> from 6-8:30 pm and is \$30 per person.

**Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Goldstrom to allow Pam Ashford and Neil Barlow to attend the workshop in Alpena for Solar Energy Development. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, Goldstrom and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Cemetery Sexton Schram talked about giving the cemetery ordinance to the people who are purchasing the lots and the ones who are having people buried. Clerk LaVergne can make her copies to give out. She also discussed if the back of the cemetery was ever cleaned out she would like to see it used for pet burials and for cremations; make it into a garden. She would also like to possibly get a magazine subscription for Cemetery Sextons. They had mentioned it at the seminar she attended.

Clerk LaVergne noted the budget transfers.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Goldstrom to take \$425.00 from surplus and transfer it to 276-703 Mowing maintenance.**

**Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, Goldstrom and LaVergne. No-none.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Motion by Goldstrom, seconded by Ginder to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$5,404.54 check numbers 9888-**

**9905. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Leeseberg, Goldstrom, Ginder and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

The meeting was adjourned by Goddard at 7:04 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on October 15th at 6:30 p.m.

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Clerk

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Supervisor