

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

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

Present: Supervisor Goddard, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Ginder, Trustee Goldstrom and Treasurer Leeseberg. Guests: Ted Somers, Assessor, Adam Brege, Zoning Administrator, Candy Fulsher, Deputy Clerk.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Assessor Somers discussed with the board about being proactive and possibly preparing to do the townships own tax rolls in the future. He called BS & A and talked to them about the tax program. They sent him a copy of it for free. He has not put it on his computer and wanted board approval before he did so. He has also received a quote from a company to print, fold and stuff the tax forms. He said it is very reasonable in cost and he thinks if the township can do it; it would save a lot of money. He said if the county decides to not process them then the township would be prepared to do them on their own. With the cuts happening at the courthouse he said we don't know when or if it could happen. There was discussion on this process and how it would work. The board agreed it would be a good idea to go ahead and have Ted install the program and get familiar with it. Ted will load the program and get it set up for future use.

Adam spoke on behalf of the County Commissioners. He said they have finalized the budget and they will approve it on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. The board has decided not to pay out the pilt money to the townships and the budget is balanced.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Leeseberg to approve the November minutes as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer Leeseberg presented to the board reports for last month ending November 30, 2018. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:**

Zoning administrator Brege reported he had stopped by the location of the Fifth Wheel off of M-72 by McConnell Rd. They were not there so he left his card. The zoning ordinance states that there is 90-day occupancy per calendar year. December will be 90 days they have lived there. As of January 2019, they can stay an additional 90 days. So according to the zoning ordinance they can stay there until the end of March 2019. He noted Mrs. Becker is still working on getting the titles on the cars and Mr. Fowler is making changes and some cleanup is happening. He will go see the George resident on Trask Lake Rd. again in January; the property is looking bad again. There were no new permits or construction.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Board of Review Update: Two attended. They were tabled from the July BOR and the people brought in the rest of their paperwork to be processed. Supervisor Goddard notified the board that all BOR members would have to be sworn in by January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 for the upcoming year.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Goldstrom to appoint Scott Lipscomb, Claudette Thomas, Louella Shellenbarger and Mike Goddard Jr. as an alternate to the Board of Review. Clerk LaVergne will swear them in by January 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Received a notice from AMAESD. A resolution to impose a summer property tax levy in 2019. The board is requesting the township collect the summer school taxes. The township is to notify them if they do not want to do that.
- Sheriff report was read and placed on file.
- DEQ letter received about the Alcona County Landfill; results of the testing report.
- Department of Treasury AMAR review for 2018 follow up received and the townships plan was accepted. All forms received will need to be date stamped. Goddard will get Assessor Somers a date stamp.
- DNR letter notifying the township of changes they were making to the forest roads.
- Supervisor's notes: Supervisor Goddard notified the board of the Attorney's that Marlana MacNeill had been in contact with for the Townships and the pricing so far. She told the board to let her know if anyone had another attorney they had in mind and the township could contact them. They are still researching to find one for all the townships to use. Supervisor Goddard discussed with the board that she would like to have a work bee at the hall to paint the inside of the hall in January. The board discussed dates and January 19<sup>th</sup> will work. She will get a light beige color.

**Motions by Ginder, seconded by Goldstrom to have Supervisor Goddard buy paint for the township hall. Roll call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, LaVergne, Leeseberg and Goldstrom. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**BUSINESS:**

The State Police invoice was discussed. The current charge is \$1800.00 for the year. The board agreed to send it out and keep it the same for the upcoming year.

David Cook Statement received for June 22, 2018 –March 31, 2019 for \$300.00.

Chuck Goldstrom: Marihuana Act. Chuck read over the laws with the board and provided them with the State of Michigan Act. He noted the points the township will need to address in the near future. Supervisor Goddard will get in touch with NEMCOG and see if they can work with Gustin Township on this. The Township may need to consider renewing the membership with NEMCOG for this and other future needs. Goddard talked to Haynes Township and they were going to email Clerk LaVergne the same they used to opt out.

The Clerk noted there needed to be some transfers in the budget.

**Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Goldstrom to move \$87.31 from 11-500 Contingency to 101-800 tax roll set up and to use \$585.11 from the General fund balance to 102-270 Computer- Township Computer. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, LaVergne and Goldstrom. No-None.** **MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Ginder to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$6,890.13 check numbers 9962-9981. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Golstrom, Ginder, Leeseberg and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

The meeting was adjourned by Goddard at 8:00 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on January 21st at 6:30 p.m.

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Clerk

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Supervisor