

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on October 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Goddard.

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Brege on behalf of the County Commissioners reported that the county is working on the budget and it has been a difficult process.

Motion by Goldstrom, seconded by Ginder to approve the September minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Leeseberg discussed with the board the Treasurer's report thru September 30, 2019. She noted the expenses and the deposits. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

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

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning administrator Brege reported that there were 2 new land use permits issued. Letters are prepared and ready to be mailed to all of the blight property owners.

Justin Wilson- Township Attorney: Ballot language was given to him to review so he can help decide how the funds in the fire fund can be used properly.

In regards to the zoning blight issues, he suggested that a procedure needs to be adopted into the ordinance that would make the blight a civil infraction. There would be a fee schedule for any tickets written by the named informer. It would not involve the township attorney unless it went to a hearing or a trial. The property owner would be found in contempt if the blight wasn't resolved. Special tax assessment could be issued if the fines aren't paid.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Sheriff report was read and placed on file
- Par Plan news passed out.
- MTA Chapter Meeting: Caledonia Township Hall 10/22/19 at 7 pm.
- Received a dividend check from Lappan Agency for a work safe year.

BUSINESS:

Supervisor Goddard presented to the board a quote from John's Home Maintenance for the 2019/20 snow plowing season. Price is \$595.00 for 12 plows and \$45 a plow after that. There is a 3 plow credit for last year so the price this year will be \$460.00.

**Motion by Goldstrom, seconded by Goddard to accept John's Home Maintenance snow plowing for the 2019/2020 season for the rate of \$460.00 which includes the credit from last year of \$135.00. The bid is based on 12 plows. After the 12 plows it will be \$45.00 per plowing. Roll Call: Yes: Goddard, Ginder, Leeseberg, and Goldstrom. No-None. Absent: Clerk LaVergne
MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

**Motion by Goddard seconded by Goldstrom to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$35,987.73 check numbers 10185-10202. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Leeseberg, Goldstrom, and Ginder. No-None. Absent: LaVergne
MOTION CARRIED 4-0**

Land division discussion- Somers stated that he feels we need to have a contract with the county in regards to land division.

The meeting was adjourned by Goddard at 7:30 p.m., seconded by Ginder until the next regular meeting on November 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Deputy Clerk

Supervisor