

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on February 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Ashford.

Present: Supervisor Ashford, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Goddard, Trustee Fulsher and Treasurer Leeseberg. Guests: Ted Somers, Assessor, Adam Brege, Zoning Administrator and Amanda Parkinson, Deputy Clerk.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Leeseberg to approve the agenda with the additions.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Goddard to approve the January minutes as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Treasurer Leeseberg presented to the board reports for last month ending January 31, 2021. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:**

Zoning Administrator Brege updated the board that he and Supervisor Ashford had met with the firm and reviewed site plans for the new ACCOA building on Barlow Road. Brege recommended rezoning the area for the project. The land is forest recreation currently and will need to be commercial. He will need to get with the planning commission on the rezoning of the land. The firm has not sent the paperwork yet on it and he hopes to have it by the March 2<sup>nd</sup> planning commission meeting. He has had a few calls on land use permits. People are planning for spring projects.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Sheriff report was read and placed on file.
- Planning and Zoning training pamphlet received
- Sample of Notice of Assessment
- Flyer for envelopes from Alcona County Review
- Letter from Veterans Affairs office on for reimbursement of Memorial Day Flags
- Opportunity Zones Flyer on workshops

**BUSINESS:**

Hawes Township Cemetery contract was discussed. Clerk LaVergne will send it to them.

The renewal of the Michigan Township Par Plan Commercial Package from Lappan Agency was discussed. The invoice is for \$4,085.00. The terrorism coverage was discussed.

**Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Goddard, to renew the Michigan Township Par Plan Commercial package for \$4,085.00 with Lappan Agency and add the Terrorism Coverage for an additional \$25.00. Roll Call: Yes-Fulsher, Goddard, LaVergne, Ashford and Leeseberg. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

New application for MCL 211-7u (Form #5737) Poverty Exemption was discussed.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Leeseberg, to adopt the new application for MCL 211-7u (Form #5737) Poverty exemption. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Leeseberg, Fulsher, Ashford and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Further discussion was held on a couple of other forms Assessor Somers told the board about and wanted the board to consider for future use.

- Form #5738 is a for approval of percentage reduction in taxable value for poverty exemption under MCL 211.7u. This form is used for other percentages than 25/50 or 100%.
- Form #5739 is an affirmation of ownership and occupancy to remain exempt by reason of poverty. This is a proof of ownership form. This is to be filed with the Board of Review to prove ownership.

Received a letter from the County of Alcona on the County Wide Cleanup. It will be held on 5/15/21 at the Alcona County ARA site from 8 am to 2 pm. They are requesting payment of services from Gustin Township of \$1,000.00. Discussion was held.

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Fulsher to pay Alcona County Treasurer \$1,000.00 for the County Wide Clean up participation. Roll call: Yes-Goddard, Leeseberg, Ashford, LaVergne and Fulsher. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

Lincoln Village Fire Agreement was received. Discussion was held.

**Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Goddard to approve the payment of the Lincoln Village Fire Agreement in the amount of \$11,215.00. To be paid in new budget year of April 2021. Roll call: Yes- Goddard, Leeseberg, Fulsher, Ashford and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

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

**Motion by Goddard, seconded by Fulsher to move \$21.00 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 262-728 Postage and to move \$385.00 from 701-802 Attorney fee to 262-727 Supplies. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Fulsher, Leeseberg, Ashford and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Leeseberg to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$5,820.86 check numbers 10584-10601. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Ashford, Leeseberg, Fulsher and LaVergne. No-None.**

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

The meeting was adjourned by Ashford at 7:16 pm, seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on March 15th at 6:00 p.m. for the budget hearing followed by the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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Clerk

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Supervisor