

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

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

Present: Supervisor Ashford, Treasurer Leeseberg, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Goddard and Trustee Fulsher. Guests: Assessor Ted Somers, Adam Brege, Zoning Administrator, Frank and Jinny Dimercurio and Josh Whitten from Chosen Ranch.

Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Goddard to approve the agenda with Mikado Fire Contract and Planning Commission Meeting reschedule additions.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Leeseberg presented to the board the report thru February 29, 2021. She noted the expenses and the deposits on the report. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

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

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning Administrator Brege reported he has had a few phone calls asking questions. He has received a few complaints on the Barlow Rd. property again. He will check it out. Goddard said she had a complaint on a property in Thomas Circle with blight. Brege will check into it. He said things are more visible now with the snow almost gone.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Board of Review update: Assessor Somers noted there were a few people that came in to ask questions. There were 2 items they took care of. One was a write in and the other was a late file of personal property statement. It went well over all.
- Sheriff's report read and placed on file.
- Frank & Jinny Dimarcurio and Josh Whitten from the Chosen Ranch presented to the board ideas they had for building and running a home in Gustin Township. There was a lengthy discussion and until they have the property in the Chosen Ranch name and supply the assessor with a business plan and fill out the property assessing paperwork the assessor is not able to tell them if they will be tax exempt from property taxes. They also talked about the Community Center currently in Gustin Township and the plans they have for expansion on that building and what they would like to offer the community.

BUSINESS:

Ashford discussed with the board the adoption of the 2021-2022 budget appropriations act. She stated the estimated revenue and the estimated expenses.

Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Goddard to adopt the 2021-22 Budget Appropriations Act Resolution 2021-5 and the Truth in Taxation form. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Ashford, Leeseberg, Fulsher and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

There was a short discussion on the meeting dates and times for the upcoming year.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Fulsher to keep the meeting dates and time the same for the Regular Board Meetings. Regular Meeting 3rd Monday of the month, Zoning/Planning Meeting 1st Tuesday of the Quarter and the Board of Review is set by the State of Michigan. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ashford, Leeseberg, Fulsher and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

There was a brief discussion on the official depositories and resolution.

Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Goddard, to accept the deposit resolution for 2021/22. With the depositories being Huron Community Bank and Alpena Alcona Area CU. Roll Call: Yes-Ashford, Goddard, LaVergne, Fulsher and Leeseberg. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The board discussed the investment policy. Treasurer Leeseberg noted that Huron Community Bank was liquid.

Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Goddard to approve the current investment policy. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Ashford, Leeseberg, Fulsher and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Mikado Township Fire Contract was received. Discussion was held.

Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Goddard to approve the Mikado Township Fire Department Contract for \$15,000.00 with further clarification from Supervisor Ashford. Supervisor Ashford will call Mikado Township Supervisor and see what the board's intent is on the \$15,000.00 average and when they would bill the board for more money.

Zoning Administrator Brege discussed the planning commission meeting at the beginning of March. They met and there was not a quorum to make the approval on the ACCOA plan he has presented. He is asking if they can reschedule to meet March 29th at 7 pm to do the approval and get the process in place for ACCOA. Fulsher will call the board members to see if they are available to meet.

Clerk LaVergne noted there would need to be some budget adjustments.

Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Goddard to move \$22.90 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 262-727 Postage, to move \$0.04 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 215-702 Clerk Salary, to move \$0.04 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 253-702 Treasurer Salary and to move \$63.97 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 656-100 SS & Medicare Expense. Roll call: Yes-LaVergne, Goddard, Ashford, Fulsher and Leeseberg. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Leeseberg to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$5,305.17 check numbers 10604-10622. Roll Call: Yes- Fulsher, Goddard, Leeseberg, Ashford and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting was adjourned by Ashford at 8:02 pm, seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on April 19th at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor