

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP - ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on August 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. by Clerk LaVergne.

Present: Treasurer Leeseberg, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Goddard, and Trustee Fulsher. Guests: Ted Somers, Assessor, Adam Brege, Zoning Administrator, Ted LaFleche, Casy Makela, Gary Stahl, Sherri Hicks, Richard Rohrborn and Sheila Vachon.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Fulsher to approve the agenda with modifications.

MOTION CARRIED

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Leeseberg discussed with the board the Treasurer’s report thru July 31, 2022. She noted the expenses and the deposits. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Fulsher to approve the July Treasurer’s report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

**COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:**

Zoning: Brege reported there was 1 new permit this month and several last month. He is checking on the Trask Lake residents again with their blight issues. He has talked to a Consumers Representative on the Solar Ordinance and he has also read the contract from Consumers on the solar farms. The Contact for Consumers is Rich Castle.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Board of Review update: There was 1 veteran’s exemption and there was an application for a poverty exemption that was denied. It was a slow Board of Review.
- Election Update: There were 211 voters that turned out and it overall it went smooth.

Supervisor Ashford joined the meeting at 6:40 pm.

**BUSINESS:**

Solar and wind ordinances were discussed. Fulsher has submitted copies to Denise at NEMCOG to review. Denise acknowledged that she has received them but has not gotten back with Fulsher. Fulsher tried to contact her today and she did not respond. Fulsher and Ashford have met with the Ranger Power representative and he didn’t see any issues with the ordinance and they will work with the township. The companies will submit site plans to the board prior to them being put up. They also will go around and talk to neighbors about the solar panels that will be put up on neighboring properties. The companies said there would be about 2 years of site plans and it would be about 5 years before they would be up and running. The public had a few questions on the ordinance. The adoption is tabled until next month. Assessor Somers said there is more information on the State Tax Commission website and how they will be considered industrial.

There was discussion/review of creating a resolution for the Summer Tax Collection. Clerk LaVergne has received information from MTA regarding this. MTA has stated the township cannot create such a resolution. The discussion ensued on how the township could make sure they collect the L-4029 in a timely manner. Treasurer Leeseberg will email MTA and ask them if the fees can be raised on collection of the summer taxes.

Motion by Fulsher, seconded by Goddard to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$5,903.70 check numbers 11000-11024. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Leeseberg, Ashford, Fulsher and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting was adjourned by LaVergne at 7:11 p.m., seconded by Fulsher until the next regular meeting on September 19th at 6:30 p.m.

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Clerk

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Supervisor