

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP - ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on November 21, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Ashford.

Present: Supervisor Ashford, Treasurer Leeseberg, Clerk LaVergne and Trustee Goddard. Absent: Trustee Fulsher. Guests: Ted Somers; Assessor, Adam Brege; Zoning Administrator and see attached list for the remainder of the guests present.

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

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Muriel reported that the election went good. There was a good turnout. She also noted the Clerk's work that is put into the election and is very appreciative of that and wanted everyone to know.

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

MOTION CARRIED

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

Motion by Goddard, seconded by LaVergne to approve the October Treasurer's report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning Update: Brege reported there was one new land use permit. It has been quiet lately; not much activity. He reported from the County Commissioners stating that they are partnering with Presque Isle Electric for the broadband in Alcona County. He said there are some grants coming in November and December from Michigan State and they also invested a million dollars of the ARPA money toward this project.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Sheriff report was read and placed on file.
- EGLE permit for John Emington was received and placed on file.
- Received Dividend check from Accident Fund Group program for \$113.55.

BUSINESS:

The December Board of Review date will be 12/13/22 at 5:30 pm. It will be for clerical errors, Primary Residence Exemptions, Poverty exemptions and Veterans exemptions. Noticed will need to be posted 18 hours prior to the meeting. The board of review members will need to be sworn in by January 10, 2023.

Motion by LaVergne, seconded by Leeseberg to appoint Pam Fowler, Louella Shellenbarger and Scott Lipscomb to the Board of Review for the 2023-2024 years. They will be sworn in by Pam Ashford at the December 13th Board of Review.

Supervisor Ashford updated the board and the public about the Solar Ordinance. There was a public meeting on November 10th to discuss the ordinance by the Planning/Zoning Commission. They voted on the updated ordinance to be presented to the Gustin Township board for approval. The updated ordinance will need to be presented to the County Board of Commissioners for their approval. They have 30 days to get back to the Gustin Township Board. After the 30 days or a letter of approval it will go before the Gustin Township board for final approval.

Poverty Exemption Standards and Income Levels were presented by Assessor Somers. There have been some changes and new guidelines out for the Poverty Exemption Standards and Assessor Somers noted them to the Board. He had to remove them. The Federal Poverty Guidelines have to be approved each year by the board.

Motion by Leeseberg, seconded by Goddard to re-adopt the Poverty Exemption Standards resolution 2022-12 with the changes and updated standards and the income levels for 2023 presented by Assessor Somers. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Leeseberg, Ashford and LaVergne. Absent: Fulsher. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Public Comment was held: The discussion was on the Solar Ordinance. The public asked what the next steps were; it was asked on the 45 to 55 decibels; there are solar panels going up in Shiawassee County that people could look at; it was noted there will be bushes and shrubs around the panels; some people will be directly affected by the panels and some will not; there was discussion on how it will make

the county look; there was discussion on the topic of ideas that were presented to the zoning and planning commission that were concerns of the public. Discussion ensued and there were very valid points. Some of the property owners will have them next door to their homes and they will be fine with that.

Budget Transfers were discussed.

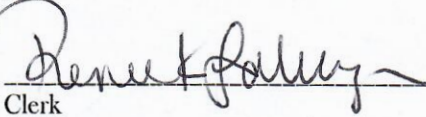
Motion by Goddard seconded by Ashford to move \$104.89 from 262-702 Election Bd. Salary to 215-727 Clerk Office Supplies, \$50.00 from 262-702 Election Bd. Salary to 101-940 Computer Enhancement and to increase 701-900 Advertising (Planning/Zoning) from the general fund balance. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Ashford, Leeseberg and LaVergne. Absent: Fulsher. No-None.

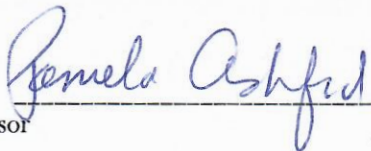
MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Leeseberg to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$7,030.75 check numbers 11079-11102. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Leeseberg, Ashford and LaVergne. Absent: Fulsher. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

The meeting was adjourned by Ashford at 7:40 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on December 19th at 6:30 p.m.


Clerk


Supervisor

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