

**GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP**  
**BOARD MEETING**

**MAY 1, 2019**

**APPROVED MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and the supervisor lead with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken: Jesse McClaughry, David Lawrence, Linda Bailow, James Korman and Barbara Ferrett were all present. There were also 27 visitors. A motion to approve the agenda made by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferrett. M/C.

**Community Reports**

Nancy House presented her report and up-dates. Added to the code of conduct was no food or drink allowed in the library. Several upcoming events, including the Tea on May 11. She also reminded all to vote on May 7 for the renewal of the library millage. Barb Ferrett gave her report on the local MTA meeting and stated that the next meeting will be July 15. Dave Lawrence reminder us that that the upcoming Neighborhood Watch picnic will be held on Saturday, June 29th. He has not heard from the “ice cream maker” but will continue to try. The next Neighborhood Watch meeting is Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. County Commissioner David Horfling gave updates on what the Board of Commissioners have been doing including approving a prosecutor, meetings with the road commission and transit and working on the 2020 budget. Lori Martin, County Clerk, spoke on the special elections being held next week, new and updated software for the county offices, election inspector training and Veterans honor cards.

**Public Comment**

Our representative from American Waste introduced himself. He will be checking on tires being picked up and also pick-up at the cemetery. He will be in touch with Dave on these and any other questions or interests we may have.

**Minutes and Treasurer’s Statement of Accounts**

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 3, 2019 board meeting made by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferrett/ M.C. Jess McClaughry said no. A motion made by Barb Ferrett/Jim Korman was made to approve the treasure’s report as presented. M/C.

**Unfinished Business**

Jess thanked the board for workshop that we had. Discussion on a computer for B.O.R. Jess checked on prices and found one at Walmart for \$249.00 that will work well for what it is needed for. A motion by Dave Lawrence/Linda Bailow to approve the purchase of a computer for the B.O.R. M/C. Linda will pick one up next time she in Mt. Pleasant. Nothing has been done on the project of electric for the pavilion due to the wet weather. This will be done as soon as conditions improve. Organizations that have agreed to attend the Neighborhood Watch Picnic

include the Clare County Sherriff's department, road commission and the Harrison Fire Dept. Still waiting to hear from the Clare County Transit response to their invitation. A motion by Jess McClaghry/Dave Lawrence to approve a 3% raise for the assessor for her next two year contract. M/C. Some discussion on the upcoming picnic. Dave has spoken to several organizations in the County about attending again this year. All have agreed to come. Discussion on upgrading the speaker system. Jess has been doing some checking and cost would run about \$4,500 and could be used outdoors. Decision the wait until the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to do anything more on the subject. There was once again discussion on the property at Lily Lk. Rd. and Finley Lk. Rd. Jess will revisit the property and find out if the same people are living there and let the Sheriff's department know about the issue once again. A property on Harding & Clarence was also discussed about blight.

### **New Business**

Discussion on the July 3 board meeting being the day before the holiday. The July meeting will be changed to Tuesday, July 2 at 7:00p.m. There are four township road projects that were not completed in 2018 and have been given priority in 2019. All remaining projects for 2019 have been put on hold until the first four are completed. There were no projects canceled. The Road Commission has committed to completing as many 2019 projects as possible. We will not know if Greenwood Township projects will be included until mid-summer. In an effort to complete something for the township, Dave discussed the need for chip sealing on Harding & Cherry Grove. A motion by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferrett to proceed with this project. M/C. A new contract for maintenance for the generator from Escon Group has been presented. A motion made by Barb Ferrett/Jim Korman to renew the maintenance agreement. M/C. A rubbish adjustment was discussed. A parcel has been charged for 2 parcels for the past 18 years when there should have been one. It was felt that due to the length of time that has past, the fair and equitable resolution would be to credit the property owner for the past 3 years of rubbish assessment and admin fees. The \$348.45 represents this credit. Dave will adjust the township rubbish roll and advise the Clare County Treasurer and Equalization depts. to do the same. A motion by Dave Lawrence/Jess McClaghry to refund \$348.45 for property number 006 023 300 05. M/C. The hall is rented May 4<sup>th</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup>. May 4<sup>th</sup> is a presentation of the Kitty Kurtis farms back to the days when they purchased the land from Henry Ford. All are welcome. Discussion on Blight complaint procedures were tabled. Discussion on the cemetery ordinance was discussed and tabled until our June meeting. Dave let it be known that his cell phone is for his personal use only and NOT to be given to anyone for township business. His home phone is for township business.

**Clerks Comment:** The clerk presented the fire and sheriff's reports for the month of April.

A motion made by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferrett to approve the bills payed prior the May 1 and current bills. M/C. A motion made by Jess McClaghry/Dave Lawrence to adjourn. M/C.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

*Linda Bailow, Clerk*