

Greenwood Township

Board Meeting

July 7, 2017

Approved Minutes

Supervisor, Jess McClaughry, opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken, board members Jess McClaughry David Lawrence, Linda Bailow, Barbara Ferrett and James Korman were all present. There were also twenty-one visitors present. A motion by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferret to accept to agenda with the addition of stamps for the treasurer and clerk under new business. M/C.

Community Reports:

County Commissioner, Karen Kipovsky, was not present. Nancy House, library delegate, presented the usage report and handouts. The townships numbers were down and she will try to find out why. The library's 2017-18 budget was approved and Nancy will get a list of meeting dates for the coming year. Dave Lawrence stated that there is no Neighborhood Watch meeting scheduled at this time but will send an e-mail to all when a date is confirmed. Barb Ferrett gave a summary of the Local Chapter MTA meeting and provided information from the MSU Extension program on help with housing and delinquent taxes. Ken Lind, the townships' insurance agent, discussed our insurance coverage and that there is free help/advice from the agency regarding some subjects and that he would be willing to do a workshop on all insurance coverage. Jim Korman asked if lightening-strikes in the cemetery are covered. Ken said all claims are looked at.

A motion made by Jim Korman/Dave Lawrence to accept the June 7, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. M/C. A motion by Linda Bailow/Jim Korman to accept the treasurer's report as presented. M/C.

Unfinished Business:

Some of the equipment that has been ordered for the pavilion will be arriving tomorrow. Jerry Britson has offered his help with unloading the equipment. The balance of equipment should be delivered in two weeks with a community build to be determined once all equipment has been delivered. Dave discussed putting our new sign up. Tress that were originally going to be used will not work. Dave will make the posts and assemble the new sign. A motion made by Dave Lawrence/Linda Bialow to use cedar wood instead of treated wood for the sign. M/C. Dave will build the sign at his home. Board members will hold a workshop on Monday, July 17, at 1 p.m. to discuss the assessor's contract. Jess has contacted Consumers Energy about the streetlight at Finley and M61 and will write to them again about the light. The tree struck by lightening at the cemetery has been removed and cleaned up.

New Business:

A motion was made by Barb Ferrett/Dave Lawrence for the treasurer and clerk to purchase postage stamps, 4000 for the treasurer and 100 for the clerk. Discussion on the noise ordinance and violations of the ordinance. Linda will contact MTA on advice of civil infraction vs. misdemeanor. A motion made by Linda Bailow/Jess McClaughry to accept and sign the resolution with the state for the new voting equipment. A workshop to discuss the blight issues and the budget will be discussed at the August meeting to determine a date. Community clean-up was discussed. Jess suggested we rent some dumpsters for residents use. Linda disagreed stating that resident have the convenience of roadside trash pick-up. A new cemetery software program was discussed. Linda will check with Nick Loomis on possible contacts to have this done. A motion by Dave Lawrence/Linda Bailow to waive the rental fee for the Mayfield family for Shirley Mayfields 90th birthday party. M/C. Shirley was the township clerk for 30 years prior to her retirement.

Public Comment:

A resident complained again about the house on Maryland with all the animals and that no one lives there to care for the animals or to clean up. A resident made mention that the property on Finley and Lili Lk. Rd. looks to be getting cleaned up but is still an issue. Another resident mentioned the ORV issues in Greenwood Forest sub.

A motion made by Barbara Ferrett/ Jim Korman to pay the bills. M/C.

A motion made by Linda Bailow/Dave/Lawrence to adjourn the meeting. M/C.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Linda Bailow

Clerk