

## **GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP**

### **BOARD MEETING**

**April 4, 2018**

**Approved minutes**

The Supervisor, Jess McClaughry, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken: Jess McClaughry, David Lawrence, Linda Bailow, Barbara Ferrett and James Korman were all present. There were 14 visitors. A motion made by Dave Lawrence/Jim Korman to accept the agenda with the addition of road ditching under unfinished business and rubbish amendment under new business added. M/C.

#### **Community Reports:**

County Commissioner, Karen Lipovsky, gave an update of the commissioners' meetings including the gypsy moth spraying that will be done this year. Greenwood Township is included in the area. Classes at Mid-Michigan, hiring and vacancies in the County Clerks offices and the decision not to purchase I-Pads for the commissioners was also explained. Lori Martin, County Clerk, stated that she is working with students on registering to vote, filing dates for the August and November elections and certification. Dave Lawrence announced that the next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be in May, date TBD. He also stated plans for a Neighborhood Watch picnic, scheduled for July 14. The Road Commission, Fire Department and Sheriff Department are already on board for the picnic with possibly some exhibits.

#### **Public Comment:**

Two visiting taxpayer's spoke with their concerns.

#### **Minutes:**

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2018 Board meeting was made by Barb Ferrett/Jim Korman. M/C. Dave Lawrence, treasurer, presented the treasurer's report. A motion made by Barb Ferrett/Jim Korman to accept the treasure's report as presented. M/C.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

An update on current blight issues was given by the supervisor. Discussion to improve the blight handling and procedures. A motion by Dave Lawrence/Jim Korman to table the subject until the May meeting was made. M/C. The board will hold a special meeting April 28, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. for a presentation from Professional Lake Management & Maintenance about maintenance/treatment of Lily Lake. The hall is rented April 7, Jim Korman will open the hall at 8 a.m. The clerk gave an update on the recovery of monies from the IRS. The supervisor has spoken with the Road Commission, discussing the additional monies expected from the state. At present, the monies will be placed into their general fund for use on yet to be prioritized needs throughout the County. The clerk is speaking with someone on developing a cemetery management program using Microsoft EXCEL. Dave Lawrence stated that Lori Ware/Phelps will include Greenwood Township to the list of grants applications in an effort to tag along with other county requests. Given her schedule of late, she has not responded to Dave's request to confirm this, so Dave is taken her at her word that she will include us as promised. Many deadlines and procedures including a Parks and Rec's program which will require hiring a professional firm that does

this type of thing. Dave Lawrence and Jim Korman met with a resident to discuss the ditching problem at/near his property. It cost \$10,000 to ditch 1000 feet of road. The county will help the township with the bidding process for a ditching project.

**New Business:**

The clerk, Linda Bailow, explained that now there are two classes for election inspectors to take to be certified to work an election and had applications available for those interested in taking these classes. It was agreed by the board to remove the dropdown "agenda" from the township website as the agenda is not always complete and not approved prior to a meeting. The supervisor made comment that this year there were only nine taxpayers that showed up to the Board of Review vs. the 27 that came last year making comment that our new assessor has and is doing a good job. He also noted that the 2018-2019 budget was approved and adopted at the March 7, 2018 Budget Hearing meeting. A motion made by Dave Lawrence/Jim Korman to remove one of the rubbish assessment charges from a property owner, that property being 006-036-200-18. M/C.

**Clerk's Comments:**

The clerk present the March Sheriff's report.

A motion made by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferrett to pay the bills. M/C. The supervisor read the current bills being paid including the payee, reason and amount.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

*Linda Bailow*

Greenwood Township Clerk