

ECKFORD TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING October 19, 2020

A monthly meeting of Eckford Township Board was held on Monday October 19, 2020 at the Eckford Township Hall. Having a quorum present. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor B. Rapp. Other board members in attendance, Treasurer T. Baylis, Clerk L. Blight and Trustee W. Cornell. Absent Trustee K. Lawrence. Others in attendance, Dave Malloch Zoning Administrator, Bill Haeske, James Schragg, Martha Frohm, James Boyd, Commissioner Tommy Miler and John Hancock Investment Advisor Robert Hurd.

APPROVAL OF THE September 21, 2020. Monthly Meeting:

A copy of the September was given to each board member before this meeting for their review.

Trustee Cornell moved to accept the September 21, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Support was given by Treasurer T. Baylis.

All in favor, **MOTION CARRIED.**

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Robert Hurd spoke about the options we have to move our John Hancock mutual fund money over to a FDIC insured account. The options are CD's or Money market accounts, which he does not deal with. This issue is tabled till November.

Commissioner Miller spoke County 911 surcharge that will be on the November 3 ballot.

TREASURERS FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Cash on Hand September 1st	313,187.82
September Income	15,441.75
Fire Department total	7,319.41
September Expenses paid	13,214.72
October Expenses to be paid	18,014.46
3 rd Quarter John Hancock balance	82,894.10

Trustee W. Cornell moved we accept the Treasurers report. Support was given by Clerk L. Blight.

All in favor, **MOTION CARRIED.**

HOMER FIRE BOARD REPORT: No Report

MARENGO FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

2 runs in Eckford for the past month.

MARSHALL FIREFIGHTERS AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Trustee Cornell

Marshall Ambulance meeting was held at the newly remolded Tekonsha Fire & Ambulance station. Marshall Ambulance spent \$125,000 toward the remodel project. Ambulance runs for August was 416 and September runs 432. Total up by 200 runs for the year. Eckford runs 12 in August & 6 in September.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Permits issued, Dawson on 20-mile road for an addition. Hills by Stuart Lake replacing trusses. Hughes on B drive, building a pole building. A new house on Division drive DeRyke residence. And a pole building for Cook.

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CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT:

A lawn complaint was made about a house on 19-mile road & F drive South, Dave checked it out & found no problem, Dave will continue to monitor the issue. Huling & Stewart court case have gone to court & both property owners now have judgements against them for weeds & blight. Steward needs to pay \$350.00 in fees in two payments first one due November 14th & the second one due December 15th. Payments are \$175.00 each. Huling, Judge ordered to pay \$300.00 in fees and cut the weeds and remove the blight by November 9th. If not done by that date the Township is allowed to hire a company to take care of the issue & apply the expense to the property taxes.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

No meeting this month.

LIBRARY BOARD REPORT:

On October 15th the library was closed due to employee's testing positive for COVID. Closed for the next two weeks or more.

COMMUNICATIONS:

CTLC COVID-19 Response Grant we will received \$5,000.

UNFINISHED BUSINES: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution 2020-3 Eckford Township Trustee Pay Schedule. - **Resolution Carried**

Calhoun County Parks millage letter. Will gather more information & discuss in November.

Mr & Mrs Williams addressed the board about amending our zoning ordinance concerning gravel pits. They gave the board a copy of Albion Townships gravel pit amendments to review. The Board agreed to pass the information along to the Planning Commission for them to review it.

Having no further business, a motion was given By Trustee W. Cornell to adjourn at 8:15pm.



Le Anne Blight

Eckford Township Clerk

Date Approved:

11-16-2020