

ECKFORD TOWNSHIP of CALHOUN COUNTY

January 20, 2020

Supervisor Rapp called the regular meeting of the Eckford Township Board to order at 7:00 p.m. Others in attendance were Clerk Blight, Treasurer Baylis, Trustee Cornell, D. Malloch, M. Frohm, A. Blight, B. Haeske,

ABSENT: K. Lawrence

Supervisor Rapp led the group in the pledge and Treasurer Baylis gave the invocation.

CLERKS MINUTES

A copy of the minutes has been handed out at the meeting. A motion was made by Trustee Cornell to approve the minutes of the December 16th, 2019 Regular meeting and supported by Treasurer Baylis. **CARRIED**

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Treasurer Baylis gave the financial statement for January.

RECEIPTS	\$ 38,223.93
DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 62,165.58
BILLS TO PAY	\$ 16,217.15

Trustee Cornell made a motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills. Clerk Blight seconded the motion. **CARRIED**

HOMER AREA FIRE AUTHORITY REPORT

No report this month.

MARENGO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief A. Blight, gave the fire report. There were 2 runs so far in 2020. 2019 call numbers were up mainly due to medical calls. Chief Blight gave a copy of Marengo Township Fire Department 2019 Annual report to Supervisor Rapp. Also received an update on the new truck that Marengo is purchasing.

MARSHALL FIREFIGHTERS AMBULANCE AUTHORITY

Trustee Cornell was unable to attend the meeting.

ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Report given by D. Malloch. There were 3 permit requests: 19683 Homer Road Walbeck residence for a roof repair, 10186 19 ½ Mile road for a pole barn Sievers residence, and 23762 J Drive South, Cunkle for a garage. Gwins have requested a building permit, for remodeling of their house.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

Report given by D. Malloch. The Newsome property on 22 Mile Road has been mowed. Someone has moved into the house to fix it up. Mr. Stewart and Mr. Hulling have been cited for Blight and Weed violations. Stewart & Hulling are in the court process. He will continue to work with Mr. Mull and Mr. Butler as they are continuing to make progress. The guy who is living at the Creighton property on Division Drive has been hard to make contact with. Dave is putting this on hold, and will make contact at a future time.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Report given by M. Frohm, Martha will be contacting Michigan Township Association about the solar ordinance, to see if the commission needs to update our solar ordinance.

LIBRARY REPORT

Report given by M. Frohm. The library budget is right on target for the year. The library received a large donation (\$100,000) for a memorial in the name of a library volunteer. A portion of the money will be used for staff training and a portion will be invested in an endowment fund at Marshall Community Foundation. Marshall library now has the ability to convert your photo slides and prints along with your VHS videos to digital.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Bruce shared that he was sad that we have had some thefts at our Township Cemeteries. So please be aware if you see any suspicious activity.

COMMUNICATIONS

Pipeline Emergency Response Training
Marshall Library News
Zoning & Planning Workshops

OLD BUSINESS

Roads: Treasurer Baylis shared the list that was given to us at the CCRD meeting on January 15th, some discussion on which roads we would like to have work done in 2020. Our next meeting with the road department is March 23rd at 1 pm. Roads tabled at this time.

Discussion about the Decker Insurance Agency Cyber Insurance Quote. No motion was made. Consensus was not to move forward with the cyber insurance.

NEW BUSINESS

Old printer by the Assessors desk is no longer used. Decision was made to recycle it at staples. All agreed. File cabinet that is in back room is locked with no key; Bruce will drill out lock to open drawers.

Teresa & Bruce's laptops need Cannon MF Scanner installed. Next time Chris from CRT comes out we will have this done.

Township letterhead: The letterhead we have now was preprinted and has the old mailing address on it.

Treasurer Baylis mentioned that she is having problems with the 20-year-old printer she uses, and Clerk Blight suggested that we check into a colored printer and print our own colored letterhead. Clerk Blight will bring information about new printers to next month's meeting.

Board of Review 2020 March Organizational meeting Tuesday, March 4th @ 2 pm

Board of Review Monday, March 9th 2-5 & 6-9 pm.

Tuesday, March 10th 9am-Noon & 1-4 pm. (Election Day)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Treasurer Baylis.

Adjournment was at 7:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,


LeAnne Blight

Eckford Township Clerk



Bruce Rapp

Eckford Township Supervisor

2-17-2020