

**APPROVED MINUTES
OF THE MOORLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2017**

The Moorland Township Board of Trustees met Thursday, April 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. and was called to order by Supervisor Nutt. Nutt led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Dan Nutt, Clerk Rose Spoelman, Treasurer Maureen Hogan, Trustee Brandon Wilburn and Trustee Anita Knapp (5)

ABSENT MEMBERS: None

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Sabra Guy, administrative assistant; (5) residents, and District 7 County Commissioner Gary Foster and wife Peggy, Jon Bumstead, candidate for State Senate, Mike Pierson, Ravenna Independent

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Nutt to approve the agenda of today. Wilburn seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MARCH 09, 2017 BOARD MINUTES

Motion by Spoelman to approve the meeting minutes of March 09, 2017 as presented. Knapp seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MARCH 09, 2017 SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES

Motion by Nutt to approve the special meeting minutes of March 09, 2017 as presented. Wilburn seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)

SUBJECT: TREASURERS REPORT

- 1) Motion by Spoelman to accept the Treasurer's Report for the Fire Fund as presented. Wilburn seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)
- 2) There were no Fire Fund Bills for this month that needed Board approval.
- 3) Motion by Nutt to accept the Treasurer's Report for the General Fund as presented. Wilburn seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)
- 4) There were no General Fund Bills for this month that needed Board approval.

SUBJECT: FIRE CHIEFS REPORT

- 1) Runs from March 2017: 17 total runs, 13 Medical, 2 Fires, 1 Commercial Vehicle Assist to Casnovia Township, 1 Station fill to Ravenna Township
- 2) Reminder: The fire department will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on April 15, 2017 at 10 a.m. Funds are from donations only, no money will be coming from the township for the event. The Easter Bunny will be present for pictures.

SUBJECT: BUILDING REPORT

- 1) Nutt gave report. (2) Building permit: (1) Electrical permits (0) Plumbing Permit. Total for Township: \$1095.00, with 10% payable to the township for a total of \$109.50.

SUBJECT: PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

- 1) Nutt reported the Planning Commission's next meeting is May 15, 2017.

SUBJECT: OLD BUSINESS

None

SUBJECT: NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Nutt made motion for a Construction Board of Appeals to be established for the township, seconded by Wilburn; Motion accepted by roll call vote: Ayes: Knapp, Wilburn, Hogan, Spoelman, Nutt (5)
- 2) Spoelman discussed that new laws are coming in December 2017 regarding medical marihuana, and that the township will send it's ordinance to the lawyer to make amendments so that it will comply.
- 3) Nutt made motion to accept performance/indemnification resolution for the township to have bringin done this year by Michigan Chloride Sales LLC, seconded by Wilburn and passed by roll call vote: Ayes: Wilburn, Hogan, Spoelman, Knapp, Nutt (5)
- 4) Spoelman made motion to continue to have Ron's Lawn Service do the lawn care this season, at the same rate of \$515.00/month, seconded by Knapp. Ayes: (5)

SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) Residents inquired about a possible pig farm that may be going up across the road from their home, and what criteria has to be met before it can be built.
- 2) John Bumstead, candidate for state senate, discussed his running for the seat.
- 3) Gary Foster stated that election advertising bills will be the responsibility of the townships now and not the county. Also, there will be a hazardous waste disposal held by the city of Muskegon on 22 April 2017. Lastly, at the public works meeting, a vote was taken to pay for a water study, and should be completed in 2 years. A survey is being conducted to determine which route is more efficient to run the study.

SUBJECT: BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- 1) Discussion by Spoelman that the township will no longer be using the retirement services of Joe Conn, and go directly through Symetra.
- 2) Wilburn commented that the condition of Laketon Avenue, between Ravenna Road and Slocum Road is very poor. Nutt will be meeting with MCRC and will bring the subject up with them to discuss solutions to fixing the road.
- 3) Spoelman also notes that there will be a scrap tire event held this year at Egelston Township Hall at 5248 Apple Avenue, on June 24, 2017 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. This may be the last year for the event, unless another board member would like to take it over.

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nutt to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Wilburn seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes (5)

Respectfully Submitted,
Rose Spoelman
Moorland Township Clerk