

**APPROVED MINUTES
OF THE MOORLAND TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019**

The Moorland Township Board of Trustees met Thursday, March 14, 2019 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 Anita Knapp (4)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Brandon Wilburn (Excused)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Gary Foster, County Commissioner and wife Peggy, Sabra Guy, Administrative Assistant, Mike Dekker, Fire Chief, Mike Pierson Ravenna Independent and (3) residents.

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Nutt to accept the agenda as presented. Knapp seconded the motion and the agenda passed by the following votes: Ayes: (4)

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 14, 2019 BOARD MINUTES

Motion by Nutt to approve the meeting minutes of February 14, 2019 as presented. Knapp seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (4)

SUBJECT: TREASURERS REPORT

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

SUBJECT: FIRE CHIEFS REPORT

- 1) Fire Chief gave the report for February 2019; 8 total calls including 4 medical, 3 fire and 1 personal injury.
- 2) The Fire Chief requested that the Board approve a new hire for the township, Chasity Troyer, pending a physical and drug screen. Nutt made the motion to approve the new hire pending the two items, seconded by Spoelman and passed by roll call vote: Ayes: Knapp, Hogan, Spoelman, Nutt. (4)
- 3) The Fire Chief confirmed that Moorland will not be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt this year due to lack of interest in previous years. The event may return in future years if there is an interest at that time.

SUBJECT: BUILDING REPORT

- 1) Nutt gave the report for February 2019. (0) Building permits; (0) Electrical permits; (0) Mechanical permits; (0) Plumbing Permits. Total for Township: \$0.00

SUBJECT: PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

- 1) Next Planning Commission meeting date changed to April 9, 2019, due to a special use application being turned in.

SUBJECT: OLD BUSINESS

- 1) None.

SUBJECT: NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Nutt made the motion to approve the two PA-116's for Gherkin Way LLC, seconded by Hogan and passed by roll call vote: Ayes: Hogan, Knapp, Spoelman, Nutt. (4).
- 2) Nutt made the motion to keep the same members of the Construction Board of Appeals on for another term, seconded by Knapp and passed by the following votes: Ayes: (4)

SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) A resident asked about the election in May, and if a representative from dispatch would be out to speak about the proposed 911 surcharge. The county commissioner offered to arrange a time for the speaker to come out if the residents would like.
- 2) The county commissioner also mentioned that it appears that there will be an August election to renew the Veterans Millage; he also mentioned that the voting machines will be upgraded to a 4G router, with a Hart rep to come and service the machines at a later time.

SUBJECT: BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- 1) Spoelman said that a resident had concerns about the lack of crowning on the dirt roads. Nutt mentioned that in the spring the Road Commission usually fixes the roads, and replaces any crowning that is lost to 5%. Another resident is concerned that maybe the roads aren't being done correctly, and perhaps there is a lack of training for the newer or seasonal employees. If necessary the township board will have a representative come to the township and speak on the subject.
- 2) Nutt gave a biosolids update, he has touched based with most of the farmers in the community to try and keep the biosolids out of Moorland if at all possible. Nutt also asked the county commissioner about the County's attorney services, and the recent suit against the former finance director for Muskegon County. Foster noted that there is an upcoming vote on attorney services in a week, and he will report the outcome.

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Rose Spoelman
Moorland Township Clerk