

ATTICA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk

At a meeting of the Attica Township Board held August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Supervisor Ochadleus. PRESENT: Supervisor Al Ochadleus, Clerk Nancy Herpolsheimer, Treasurer Mason and Trustee Phil Madeline. Absent: Trustee Rich Lacey. Attorney Gildner and the public per the sign-in sheet attached.

Pledge of allegiance led by Supervisor Ochadleus.

**REVIEW MINUTES:**

The minutes of the July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 regular Board meeting were reviewed by the Board; and there being no additions, corrections or deletions;

**MOTION** by Madeline, seconded by Mason, to approve the July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 regular Board meeting minutes as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Lacey). **MOTION CARRIED.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Mason gave the following Treasurer's Report: General Fund Beginning Balance of \$445,786.07, receipts of \$76,189.04; Interest of \$39.77; Distributions of \$58,251.73 for a New Balance of \$463,763.15; General Fund CDARS savings account has \$201,602.85. Public Safety has \$71,359.52; Public Safety CDARS Savings account has \$50,400.71; Fire Millage has \$19,300.31; Fire Millage CDARS Savings account has \$50,400.71; Fire Escrow has \$82,059.09; Fire Escrow CDARS Savings account has \$50,400.71.

**MOTION** by Madeline seconded by Herpolsheimer to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: One (Lacey). **MOTION CARRIED.**

**POLICE REPORT:** Deputy Vandenberg gave the following police report: there were 152 calls in the month of July with 42 of the calls handled by the Township deputies.

**PUBLIC TIME:**

1). Jake Davison, of 1604 Farnsworth in Lapeer, introduced himself and stated that he is running for State Representative.

2). Resident, Sunny Longoria, of 421 N. Lake Pleasant Rd., discussed the Verizon tower and let the board know that he is upset at their decision to allow it's placement.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Zoning Coordinator Position:**

Supervisor Ochadleus discussed how the zoning coordinator's duties have been handled since Zoning Coordinator Bud Fackler's illness. The issue of how the duties will be handled in the future was discussed.

**2. Long Term Disability Policy:**

Supervisor Ochadleus explained that Attica Township does not currently have a long term disability policy therefore Zoning Coordinator Bud Fackler has been receiving full pay and discussed the reasons a policy is needed. Supervisor Ochadleus recommended adopting the attached long term disability policy retroactive to June 1, 2015.

**MOTION** by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Mason to adopt the attached Attica Township Long Term Disability Policy as presented, retroactive to June 1, 2015. A roll call vote was taken. Ochadleus: Aye, Mason: Aye, Madeline: Aye and Herpolsheimer: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Lacey). **MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. FIRE: None.
2. Park: Park Manager Phil Madeline reported:
  - a) The park continues to receive a lot of use.
  - b) The new swings and chains, to replace broken ones, need to be put up.
3. PLANNING COMMISSION: None.
4. ATTORNEY REPORT: None.
5. AMBULANCE: Supervisor Ochadleus reported:
  - a) The next meeting is August 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - b) A new director has been hired.
6. CEMETERY: None.
7. COMMISSIONER REPORT: None.
8. Board: None.

9. Public Time:

a) Supervisor Ochadleus summarized how the decision was made to approve the Verizon cell tower that was approved at July's board meeting and stated that the board followed the recommendation of Planner Birchler. Attorney Gildner explained that the township hired Planner Birchler because of his expertise and his advice should be followed in order to avoid a law suit.

b) Resident, Tracy Sparks, of 4436 Imlay City Road, stated that he has an issue with Planner Birchler's analysis of the setbacks for the Verizon cell tower and feels that Birchler's recommendation went against the zoning ordinance.

c) Resident Longoria asked if Tracy Sparks and he could be included in a law suit against the township if Verizon files a suit against the township. Attorney Gildner advised that individuals cannot be codefendants.

**REVIEWING AND PAYING BILLS:**

The bills were reviewed by the Board for the General Fund for the amount of \$58,540.26 (check #16915 through check #17040); Public Safety for the amount of \$9,722.50 (check #1200) and the Fire Fund for the amount of \$14,004.42 (check #3875 through check #3913). For a total of \$82,267.18. There being no further questions:

**MOTION** by Mason seconded by Madeline to approve the bills as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Mason: Aye; Madeline: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye and Herpolshiemer: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Lacey).

There being no further business before the Board, **MOTION** by Madeline seconded by Mason to adjourn the meeting at 7:25. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Lacey). **MOTION CARRIED.**

Submitted by:

Respectfully Submitted By

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Valerie Schultz, Deputy Clerk

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Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk