

ATTICA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

April 13, 2017

Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk

At a meeting of the Attica Township Board held April 13, 2017, at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Deputy Supervisor Gottschalk. PRESENT: Deputy Supervisor Bob Gottschalk, Clerk Nancy Herpolsheimer, Treasurer Pam Mason, Trustee Rich Lacey and Trustee Phil Madeline. Absent: Supervisor Al Ochadleus. ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Gildner and the public per the sign-in sheet attached.

Pledge of allegiance led by Clerk Herpolsheimer.

REVIEW MINUTES:

The minutes of the March 9, 2017 regular Board meeting were reviewed by the Board; and there being no additions, corrections or deletions;

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Mason, to approve the March 9, 2017 regular Board meeting minutes as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Mason gave the following Treasurer's Report: General Fund Beginning Balance of \$569,917.08 receipts of \$85,107.37; Interest of \$53.11; Distributions of \$36,608.83 for a New Balance of \$655,077.56; General Fund CDARS savings account has \$202,497.53. Public Safety has \$109,060.32; Public Safety CDARS Savings account has \$50,624.38; Fire Millage has \$107,571.96; Fire Millage CDARS Savings account has \$50,624.38; Fire Escrow has \$81,252.04; Fire Escrow CDARS Savings account has \$50,624.38.

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

POLICE REPORT: Deputy Vandenberg gave the following police report: there were 173 calls in the month of March with 119 of the calls handled by the Township deputies.

PUBLIC TIME: Resident Andy Michalik, of 237 Elk Lake Road, asked if there is a plan for a work day at the park and stated that there is graffiti on the big rock, trees and the playground and that the swings need to be repaired.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Museum Expansion Resolution:** Deputy Supervisor Gottschalk stated that the \$70,000.00 for the museum expansion is in the budget. Trustee Lacey asked if it was legal to use the township tax exemption on sales tax of materials for the museum and Attorney Gildner stated that he will look into it. Attorney Gildner advised the board that they could move for adoption of the resolution as prepared or authorize the supervisor to solicit bids. There was lengthy discussion among the board members, the public and the museum volunteers.

MOTION by Lacey second by Mason to authorize the solicitation of bids to expand the Attica Township Museum with specifications to be drawn up by the Township with a deadline of June 1, 2017. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **Set Date for Budget Workshop:** Budget workshop was set for April 25, 2017 at 10 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Thumb Alarm System Calls:** Deputy Supervisor Gottschalk stated that Supervisor Ochadleus has a concern with calls from Thumb Alarm and stated Supervisor Ochadleus would like to share in the burden of board members coming to the hall when the alarm goes off. There was discussion regarding moving the motion detector sensor to the inside door of the meeting room.

2. **AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Heart Defibrillator:** There was discussion regarding installing an AED in the township hall.

MOTION by Herpolsheimer seconded by Mason to purchase a Zoll AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Heart Defibrillator and pads at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.00. A roll call vote was taken. Lacey: Aye; Madeline: Aye; Herpolsheimer: Aye and Mason: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. **Approve the Solar Energy Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:**

MOTION by Lacey seconded by Mason to approve the amendment of Section 2.2 Definitions, Section 3.1 Zoning Districts; and adding Section 4.61 Small Solar Energy Systems, Section 4.62 Medium Solar Energy Systems, and Section 4.63 Large Solar Energy Systems to incorporate solar energy system uses, standards and definitions of the Attica Township Zoning Ordinance, as attached, as recommended by the Attica Township Planning Commission. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Approve the Sign Ordinance Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance: Attorney Gildner explained the reason for the amendment to the sign ordinance based on constitutionality.

MOTION by Herpolsheimer seconded by Mason to approve the amendment of Section 5.7 Signs of the Attica Township Zoning Ordinance, as attached, as recommended by the Attica Township Planning Commission. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

5. Lakestone Bank and Trust Sign Permit: Zoning Administrator Lemons stated that the conditions required by the township planner in order for Lakestone Bank and Trust to replace their signs have been met.

MOTION by Mason seconded by Herpolsheimer to approve Lakestone Bank and Trust's sign permit application to replace 3 existing parking lot directional signs with 3 new parking lot directional signs, contingent on the findings of the attached Giffels Webster Sign Permit Review, as recommended by the Attica Township Planning Commission. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One: (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. FIRE: None.
2. PARK: Park Manager Madeline reported that he will make sure the graffiti in the park is taken care of.
3. PLANNING COMMISSION: None.
4. ATTORNEY REPORT: None.
5. AMBULANCE: None.
6. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Jarvis reported:
 - a) There is ongoing litigation with EMS.
 - b) Discussed the Genealogy workshop.
 - c) The Lapeer County Deputy Association benefit is May 13.
 - d) Discussed the Vietnam Veteran Gala to be held in North Branch.
 - e) The Polly Ann Trail Walk is June 3rd.
7. Board: None.

8. Public Time:

- a) Resident Mike Landerson, of 953 Center Drive, stated that there is a vacant house across the street from him that has been vacant for 15 years. The house is falling down and he has tried numerous times to have this taken care of. Deputy Supervisor Gottschalk stated that he will see what he can do to have it inspected and taken care of.

- b) Geary Priehs of Dryden stated that he came to the meeting to represent his grandchildren and the children of Lapeer County and asked that the township board put a stop to the growing of marijuana in the township and went on to state that allowing the growing of medical marijuana in Attica Township would be a terrible legacy.

REVIEWING AND PAYING BILLS:

The bills were reviewed by the Board for the General Fund for the amount of \$34,654.72 (check #18557 through check #18627); Public Safety for the amount of \$9,803.81 (check #1223 through check #1224) and the Fire Fund for the amount of \$10,568.29 (check #4488 through check #4522). For a total of \$55,026.82. There being no further questions:

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

There being no further business before the Board, **MOTION** by Lacey seconded by Mason to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: One (Ochadleus). **MOTION CARRIED.**

Submitted by:

Respectfully Submitted by:

Valerie Schultz, Deputy Clerk

Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk