

ATTICA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

December 12, 2019

Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk

At a meeting of the Attica Township Board held December 12, 2019, at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Al Ochadleus. PRESENT: Supervisor Al Ochadleus, Clerk Nancy Herpolsheimer, Treasurer Pam Mason, Trustee Phil Madeline and Trustee Rich Lacey. Absent: None. ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Christ Stritmatter and the public per the sign-in sheet attached.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief Warford.

ACCEPT AGENDA:

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Lacey, to accept the agenda as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

REVIEW MINUTES:

The minutes of November 14, 2019 regular Board meeting were reviewed by the Board; and there being no additions, corrections or deletions;

MOTION by Lacey, seconded by Madeline, to approve the November 14, 2019 regular Board meeting minutes as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE: Clerk Herpolsheimer informed the Board that the 2020 Board of Review Training will be held January 30th in Frankenmuth. Supervisor Ochadleus recommended Board of Review members consider attend the training.

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Madeline, to authorize Board of Review members to attend the MTA Board of Review training on January 30, 2020 in Frankenmuth. A roll call vote was taken. Mason: Aye; Lacey: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye; Madeline: Aye and Herpolsheimer: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Mason gave the following Treasurer's Report: General Fund Beginning Balance of \$282,260.87 receipts of \$86,170.01; Interest of

\$158.22; Distributions of \$156,975.47 for a New Balance of \$111,613.63; General Fund CDARS savings account has \$204,003.20; General Fund ICS has \$400,415.66; Public Safety has \$14,908.42; Public Safety CDARS Savings account has \$51,000.80; Public Safety ICS has \$25,043.50; Fire Millage has \$632.73; Fire Millage CDARS Savings account has \$51,000.80; Fire Millage ICS has \$20,049.51; Fire Escrow has \$50,035.89; Fire Escrow ICS has \$41.52; Deposited Escrow has \$50,048.37.

MOTION by Lacey, seconded by Madeline, to approve the Treasurer's Report as amended. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Supervisor Ochadleus updated the Board on the status of paying off the fire truck early. There was discussion.

POLICE REPORT: Deputy Barrett gave the following police report: there were 152 calls in the month of November with 87 of the calls handled by township deputies.

PUBLIC TIME: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Accept Audit:**

Supervisor Ochadleus recommended accepting the audit.

MOTION by Mason, seconded by Herpolsheimer, to accept the audit. A roll call vote was taken. Mason: Aye; Lacey: Aye; Herpolsheimer: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye and Madeline: Aye. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Ruth Hughes Memorial Library Trustee Appointment-Carol Kocik:**

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Mason, to reappoint Carol Kocik as a Trustee to the Ruth Hughes Memorial Library Board for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2023. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. **Drone Ordinance:**

Supervisor Ochadleus recommended adopting Ordinance #2019-05 to regulate unmanned aircraft systems.

MOTION by Mason, seconded by Herpolsheimer, to adopt the attached Ordinance #2019-05 (attached) to regulate unmanned aircraft systems. A roll call vote was taken. Mason: Aye; Herpolsheimer: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye; Lacey: Aye and Madeline: Aye. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Agreement for Law Enforcement Services:

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Mason, to accept the attached agreement with the Lapeer County Sheriff's Department for Law Enforcement Services for the year 2020. A roll call vote was taken. Ochadleus: Aye; Lacey: Aye; Madeline: Aye; Mason: Aye and Herpolsheimer: Aye. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Set 2020 Poverty Guidelines:

MOTION by Lacey, seconded by Mason, to approve the attached 2020 Federal Poverty Guidelines and 2020 Poverty Exemption and Asset Test. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

5. Appoint ZBA Alternate:

MOTION by Mason, seconded by Madeline, to appoint Jerry Fackler as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Accept Bill Winslow's Blight Enforcement Resignation:

MOTION by Mason, seconded by Madeline, to accept Bill Winslow's Blight Enforcement position resignation. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Marijuana Ordinance Reconsideration Request:

Resident Jack Flanagan, of 150 North Force Road asked the Board to reconsider its decision to opt out of allowing marijuana establishments in the township. Mr. Flanagan lives on 55 acres and has his property up for sale because of the township's decision to opt out of allowing marijuana establishments. Mr. Flanagan stated that he has been approved by the state to grow marijuana and went on to read his business plan. There was discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. FIRE: Chief Warford reported that he is recruiting fire fighters and has 3 probationary firefighters in the academy presently.
2. PARK: Park Manager Madeline reported that the park is closed.
3. PLANNING COMMISSION: Planning Commission Secretary Lemons reported:
 - a) The December Planning Commission meeting is cancelled.
 - b) Wally Phillips of Phillips Engineering contacted her and stated that he will update the reclamation plan for Starr Mining.
 - c) Blight visits were conducted in the past month with several being turned over to the attorney.
4. ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Stritmatter stated that he will get started on blight cases and discussed the marijuana ordinance.
5. AMBULANCE: Supervisor Ochadleus informed the Board that there will be a millage renewal request on the March primary ballot.
6. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: None.
7. Board: None.
8. Public Time: Chief Warford asked about the status of the blight enforcement position.

REVIEWING AND PAYING BILLS:

The bills were reviewed by the Board for the General Fund for the amount of \$35,902.44 (check #2110 through check #21175); Public Safety for the amount of \$11,326.11 (check #1261) and the Fire Fund for the amount of \$5,476.80 (check #5490 through check #5516). For a total of \$52,705.35. There being no further questions:

MOTION by Lacey, seconded by Madeline, to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$52,705.35.

A roll call vote was taken. Mason: aye; Madeline: Aye;
Lacey: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye and Herpolsheimer: Aye. Ayes:
All. Nays: None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

There being no further business before the Board, **MOTION** by Lacey seconded
by Madeline to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays:
None. Absent: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Submitted by:

Respectfully Submitted by:

Valerie Schultz, Deputy Clerk

Nancy Herpolsheimer, Clerk