

MINUTES
DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 15, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Tim Murphy

Present	Tim Murphy	Supervisor
Present	Walter Nelson	Clerk
Present	Connie Lynch	Treasurer
Present	Randy Martin	Trustee
Present	Alan Johns	Trustee

Four others were also present.

Agenda additions: Recycling, Zoning Violation, and M-20 Stop Light

Motioned to approve Agenda Alan Johns seconded by Connie Lynch, motion carried.

Motioned Alan Johns seconded by Randy Martin to approve the minutes of June 17, 2019, Regular Meeting. motion carried.

Treasurers Report By: Connie Lynch: Filed for audit. We just received a state revenue sharing check for over \$42,000.00.

Fire Department Report was given by Chief Ryan Martin: Four runs for the month, 29 YTD. New Engine- received, working on installing new mounts and equipment. Received TransCanada Grant for \$9,466.00 to replace wildland gear and MPACF Grant for \$6,201.30 for wildland fire boot replacement, total grants \$15,872.30. Consumers Energy Grant was denied. The department is getting quotes for new structure gear, will ask for 2% Grant from SCIT. Reimbursements will be coming from the vendor for expenses to pick up new engine.

Planning Commission Report: By Connie Lynch, Wind ordinance is wrapped up, and sent to the township attorney for review, application fees to be worked out.

JCCA Report: By Randy Martin, Nothing new to report

Motion by Connie Lynch seconded by Alan Johns to pay the General Fund vendor Bills (\$10,664.79), General Fund Payroll Bills (\$4,675.83) and the Fire Department Vendor Bills (\$4,597.22) Fire Department Payroll Bills (\$1,094.68), Roll call vote, 5 aye, 0 nay, motion carried.

Public Comments on Agenda Items: None

Unfinished Business:

Nothing new on cemetery improvements. Nothing new on Hall equipment. Nothing new on Irish hills water Issue. Nothing new on tree issues.

AC not working in FD Day Room, Fire Chief instructed to call Charley's Heating and Cooling.

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New Business:

Treasurer, Connie Lynch informed the board her desk is falling apart. The board discussed contacting MichCo for a new one, motioned by Walter Nelson seconded by Alan Johns to approve up to \$1,000.00 for a replacement desk, roll call vote, 5 aye 0 nay, motion carried.

The board discussed a commercial business being operated along Highway M-20 in a residential services zone. The occupant was sent notification of the violation and an order to cease operations on July 11, 2019. Alan Johns asked that the township attorney also send him notification to cease operations.

The board discussed curbside recycling, Alan Johns voiced concerns regarding participation etc. to ascertain if the cost to the township is acceptable. County Commissioner Frank Engler stated the township has 800 to 900 stops per month which is roughly comparable to the Village of Shepherd

Randy Martin asked the township contact M-DOT about the timing on the stop light at M-20 and Winn Road, turns are almost impossible if traffic is heavy.

Al Johns suggested Nottawa Road between River and Pickard Roads may need extra brine due to extra traffic because of the Pickard Road Bridge Repair Closure.

Public Comments: County Commissioner Frank Engler reported on issues at Isabella County.

Motioned by Alan Johns seconded Randy Martin to adjourn, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Walter Nelson

Deerfield Township Clerk