

# **GREENWOOD TOWNSHIP**

## **BOARD MEETING**

**November 1, 2017**

**Approved Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. and Supervisor Jess McLaughry led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken, all board members, Jess McLaughry, David Lawrence, Linda Bailow, Barbara Ferrett and James Korman, were present. There were also 23 visitors. A motion made by Barb Ferrett/Dave Lawrence to approve the agenda with the additions of 2018 brining, PLM and assessment, CCRC 2018 projects, PLM Q&A meeting, MTA summary and board workshop to be added under New Business. M/C.

### **Community Reports**

County commissioner, Karen Lipovsky, presented her report. A new member to the child advocacy program has been added, it is a dog that has been very well accepted. Clare County has approved the Isabella sanitary code, the tax roll has been approved, one new Democrat and Republican have been added to the board of canvasser's and the Clare County Animal Shelter received an "A" grade and is ranked #1 in the state. Lori Martin, County Clerk, stated that the use of debit/credit cards at her office has been a great success and that her Chief Deputy is retiring and two court clerks have been added to full time. Nancy House presented the library report. Both Franklin and Summerfield townships have signed contracts with the library making more funds available and that the library is getting 14 new computers for the public use. Tina Wright, assessor, discussed the next AMAR exam and that a Poverty Resolution has to be re-approved every year. Dave Lawrence stated that the CPR class thru Neighborhood Watch & the Sheriff Dept. was a success with 16 people taking/passing the class. The next Neighborhood Watch meeting not scheduled yet, possibly late November or early December. Barb Ferrett presented the local MTA report and spoke of the speakers that were there including Sen. Judy Emmons and that speakers are scheduled for the December meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jess McLaughry wanted a change made under Correspondence. After some discussion a motion made by Linda Bailow/Dave Lawrence to approve the minutes as presented. Jess McLaughry voted "no" to this motion however the motion carried. A motion made by Linda Bailow/Jim Korman to accept the treasurer's report as presented. M/C.

### **Unfinished Business**

The light for the new sign has been taken care of and will be installed ASAP. The second streetlight at Finley and M61 has been installed and has made a great difference. The properties that the board has received blight complaints on have been revisited and some progress is being made. There are still cars on the Finley Lk. property and there are seven goats at the Maryland property, more than first noted. Some discussion on the Christmas party that the township will have on December 16. A township family has been adopted, the township will provide the main dish with residents bringing a dish to pass. Looking forward to this being a success. Linda Bailow thanked Connie Kyle for her help in locating a family to adopt.

## **New Business**

The December Board of Review will meet December 12 from 2-4. Some discussion as to running over as the hall is rented that evening. Dave Lawrence stated that he has had discussions with Michigan Chloride about cost and number of time the roads are brined. Time is running short on getting a contract with them as they are getting "booked" for next year. Their cost is 15.9 cents per gallon. A motion made by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferrett to sign a contract with Michigan Chloride for next year and to do the brining two times vs. three. M/C. Discussion on the PLM assessment report. Dave has received the fall report and will get copies to board members. 2018-2019 will be the time for the next floridone/milfoil treatment and Dave feels it would not be wise to switch companies in the middle of this process. A motion by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferrett to continue with PLM and sign a two year contract. M/C. The permit fee for treatments is \$1,500.00 per year and has to be signed/accepted by the end of the year (2017). It was noted that the Township will not pay for any lake treatments if the Lake Assessment program is not approved next year. Dave and Jim have met with the road commission. It is the feelings of the board that road work in Greenwood Twp. Should be centered north of M61 in 2018. Both Harding and Coolidge are being considered by the road commission and a traffic survey is going to be done. A motion by Barb Ferrett /Dave Lawrence that work be done on Harding or Coolidge depending on the results of the traffic survey. M/C. Dave will let Mr. Deepak Gupta know the boards' decision. The PLM/LLIA meeting for a Q&A meeting scheduled for April 28, 2018 was discussed. It is the boards feeling that all waterfront property owners be notified of the meeting. There were some comments from the visitors on this meeting. The board will approve a resolution that a contact list of all LLIA members be provided to the township. A motion made by Jess McClaughry/Barb Ferrett that all waterfront property owners be informed of the meeting with PLM. M/C. The supervisor gave a summary of the MTA workshop that board members attended this past Monday. A discussion on a budget workshop to be held in November. This will not take place however, discussion on line items will be on the agenda for the December board meeting.

## **Public Comment**

Two residents discussed a letter that was not read at the last board meeting. A suggestion that there be two public comment times at board meeting. A resident asked about patching roads and there was some discussion on roads repairs. Another resident made comment that clubs do not control decisions made by the board.

A motion made by Dave Lawrence/Jim Korman to pay the bills. M/C. Bills were approved and paid.

A motion made by Dave Lawrence/Barb Ferrett to adjourn. M/C. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

*Linda Bailow*

Clerk