

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date 10/5/17

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALEGANCE 6:30PM Guest Count 2 Resident Count 13

Present: Conway, Duby, LaBoda, Wright Absent: Iutzi

Conway moved to approve the agenda, supported by LaBoda, all in favor. **MC**

Treasurer's report read by Duby, motion to approve by Conway, 2nd by LaBoda **MC**

Reading of September minutes by LaBoda, motion to approve by Conway 2nd by Duby **MC**

Invoices read by LaBoda motion to approve and pay bills by Duby, 2nd by Conway **MC**

Guest: Sandy Bristol, County Commissioner gave updates on county business including; the Airport will be finishing a pilot lounge which will qualify the airport for grant money. There will be a Fly In on October 14th. The board honored Transit Bus Driver, Dave Zinn. The board voted to allow Probate Court new windows. Treasurer's office reported that 75% of properties have sold and there will be a second sale, bids will be due by October 9th. Dog licenses go on sale October 1st. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and the board is reinstating the Women's Committee. Animal Control is all set with carrying guns. There was good representation from Clare County at the Mental Health Task Force. Sandy will be in charge of booking speakers for MTA meetings. There is concern regarding road edge spraying for limiting plant growth. **Lori Martin, Clare County Clerk**, stated you can now pay with credit/debit cards in the Clerks' Office that will include a small convenience fee that the credit card companies charge.

Public Comments: Ron Rexer stated that the fence looks nice.

Committee Reports: Denise Goodenow, Planning Commission Chair stated they met on September 12 and the next meeting will be October 10. A resident has 2 pot belly pigs and will be applying for a permit. Harvest Picnic/Potluck October 28th with pumpkin carving from 3-5 and dinner from 5-7. Discussion on Michigan Medical Marihuana Act (PA 281 of 2016) addressing medical marihuana facilities being allowed in townships. Townships can opt in or out with the state and have the ability to change at any time. There are no clear guidelines established at this time at state and federal levels so discussion indicates our township should opt out until laws are clear. Conway moved to adopt a resolution to Opt Out at this time, supported by Duby. Yeas, Wright, LaBoda, Duby, Conway. Naas, none, Absent, Iutzi. **MC**

Mark Janeczko, Zoning & Blight Enforcement issued 8 permits in the last month and several zoning violations. He has numerous blight complaints and has been successful with several clean-up projects and reported that a burnt out house has a new owner who will be cleaning that up. Discharge of wash water in the Cedar River at a residence on N. Athey has been corrected.

New Business: Bids for the heating project on north end of building; Bonhams - \$8,000, Hiltz - \$8,175, A Plus Heating & Air Conditioning - \$3,340. LaBoda moved to accept the bid from A Plus, supported by Conway, all in favor. **MC** Scrap Tire Grant Application is in process. Cemetery Data Management workshop Thursday October 19, at 5:30pm.

Conway moved to adjourn at 7:47 supported by Duby, all in favor. **MC**

Fall leaf pick up dates: Oct 24th & 31st November 7th & 14th