

Minutes
Edenville Township Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 10th, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
Swanton Memorial Center, 6422 N. Water Rd.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Gosen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Karen Carey	Treasurer	present
Lydia Draves	Clerk	present
Craig Gosen	Supervisor	present
Linda Schultz	Trustee	present
Jim Sperling	Trustee	present

ADDITIONS/DELTIONS/CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Schultz motioned, Sperling seconded and the agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Sperling motioned to approve the minutes from the regular monthly Board Meeting held on September 12th, 2017, Carey seconded minutes approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR TOWNSHIP BILLS:

Draves motioned to pay the regular Township bills.

General Checking 30014 - 30064; \$23,169.46, includes an EFT Pmt. Fed Tax payment of \$2,345.98

Fire Department 2609 - 2616; \$6,045.37

Swanton Memorial 21483 - 21486; \$431.78

Carey seconded and after a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL BILLS (Treasurer's report on file):

Carey motioned to pay the special Township bills.

Republic Services Inv. 0237-001591246: \$622.00

Republic Services Inv. 0237-001589710: \$8,166.60

H.J. Umbaugh & Associates Inv. 150106: \$1,000.00

Midland County Treasurer, Bond Pmt. on Principle 91-06: \$330,000.00

Draves seconded and after a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

MOTIONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD:

Carey motioned, in accordance with MCL 211.44(4), to rescind 3% penalty on property tax payments between Feb 15th and Feb 28th. Sperling seconded and the motion carried unanimously after a roll call vote.

Draves motioned to approve \$300.00 from Yeager to restripe and bring the Swanton Handicap parking into State of Michigan compliance standards. Schultz seconded and after a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Carey motioned to sign a one year contract with LINKED Technologies for Technical Support for the computer system at the Township office. Sperling seconded and the motion passed unanimously after a roll call vote.

Sperling motioned to approve up to \$800.00 for Dockside services for dock and no wake buoy removal before winter (and replace them in the spring). Schultz seconded and after a roll call vote, the motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE:

Gosen reported that Gary Hicks, Republic Services is working on changing the Township to Monday trash pickup. The curbside recycling program will be implemented with the change to Monday. Hopefully, timing for the change will be communicated to the Board within a couple of weeks.

Gosen addressed the 2017 plans for Township road work. The chip and seal projects for Verity, Flint, Walter, and Maplecrest were not completed, the County ran out of stone necessary to complete the job. These were added to the Township road work plan for the upcoming season. Genesee, Telegraph, Ingham, and Lake were paved last week. The Township Board will meet with the Midland County Road commission on October 18, 2017 at noon. The meeting is to plan the Township road work for the upcoming year.

Carey reported that the Edenville Chemical Bank branch will be closing. Tax collection will be done through the Sanford branch.

Gosen explained the reason we made a principal payment on Water bond #91-06. The payment was made because more people are paying off their assessments. We're sitting on the cash for the payoffs making less money than what the interest payments amount to.

Carey and Draves provided an overview of the proposal from LINKED Technologies to manage the Township's IT needs going forward.

There has been no word on the status of our request for FEMA funding to repair the Water Road flood damage.

The Swanton passed the Food Establishment Inspection Report done by the Midland County Health Department in September.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

D. Lafavor, W. Curtis Rd., addressed his role as regards Township computer support going forward.

COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENT REPORTS:

Assessor - Kelly Rifembark, Carey will send Rifembark the special assessments to turn into Midland County by November 3. Kelly has been doing normal visits and wrapping up loose ends that haven't been completed.

Code Authority – Jim Sperling reported there was a meeting on the September 28. Permits issued for the Township included 1 water, 2 building, 2 plumbing, 2 electrical, and 5 mechanical. The next meeting will be held on October 26, 2017.

Fire Department Report - Roger Dufresne, Draves reported in Chief Defresne's absence. There were 13 runs for September. 2 woods fires, 8 medical, 2 personal injury, and one lift assist. The Fire Department Auxiliary fund raising dinner will be held on Oct 21st from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Swanton Memorial Center.

Also of note; Carolyn Bacon is resigning from the Fire Department, however, she will remain active on the F.D. Auxiliary. The Fire Department is celebrating their 60th Anniversary this year and Jim Vanderbush is celebrating his 60th Anniversary on the Fire Department!

Fire Department Grant Committee – Bob Johnson received the final building cost estimate of \$426,000.00 from Great Lakes Construction. The parking lot is included, along with the concrete for basement wall, furnishings, and kitchen supplies. Commercial doors instead of residential will also be included. There are other items that may not be included and could bump the estimate up slightly.

Planning Commission – Mark Haydanek; They met on October 9, fulfilling the fiscal 2017 annual meeting schedule. They will be looking at updating the Edenville Master Plan in 2018. They're in the process of establishing the meeting dates for 2018.

The Planning Commission continues follow ups, encouraging Township residents to comply with the zoning ordinance.

Mark will follow up with New Hope Village regarding their open house. He added that construction is under way.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Jim Sperling reported on their October 3 meeting to close out Meeting #77. They've gone over four sets of ZBA bylaws and are working to compile them for further review at their November 2, 2017 organization and workshop meeting.

Parks and Recreation Committee – Jim Sperling is checking with Dockside about the dock removal and spring installation at Harper Park. He is contacting Dockside to find out about removing the no wake buoys, as well.

The Committee will work towards getting the Harper Park parking lot blocked off once the snow begins.

We have quotes for the new T.O.W.N. Grant so will be able to write the grant this winter for (1) Covered area for Harper Park picnic table, (2) bench for Swanton Hall swing set and (3) Baby swing for Gransden Park. Draves to follow up with WoodenPlayscapes to check the status on the order for the toddler swing for the Swanton Playscape.

Museum Manager - Catherine Sias will check to see if anyone is available to open the Museum on October 21 during the Fire Department Fundraiser.

Water District No. 1 - Bill Page; The installation of the new software at WD#1 to improve efficiency is going well. WD#1 had 6 new permits last month and have recently had a few disconnects from the system. One of the hydrants failed and was replaced.

OLD BUSINESS:

Swanton building maintenance – Jim Sperling; One contractor came to look at the building exhaust piping (to extend them). He is still researching accordion room dividers to replace the original divider, which is broken.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sperling will continue to work with J. Rueda on the proposal for concrete work at Swanton.

Carey motioned to adjourn, Schultz supported and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Lydia Draves
Clerk, Edenville Township