

MINUTES

Edenville Township Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 8th, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Swanton Memorial Center, 6422 N. Water Rd.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Gosen and pledge to the flag was recited.

Township Board attendance by roll call (verifying quorum) and all Board members were in attendance.

Carey moved to approve the minutes from the regular monthly Board Meeting held on February 14th, 2017. Sperling seconded the motion and the meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Draves motioned to pay the regular Township bills;

General Checking 29751 – ~~29772~~ **29774**; \$25,547.99

Fire Department 2543 - 2547; \$633.89

Swanton Memorial 21441 - 21444; \$734.99

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

Carey presented the Treasurer's report and motioned to pay the Township special bills:

Republic Services Inv. #0237-001542843: \$15,921.78 (double month, didn't receive February Invoice)

Republic Services Inv. #0237-001544309: \$622.00

DeLisle Lawn Care Inv. #22953 (Fox Snow plowing) 2: \$600.00

Midland Co. Road Commission (Private Rds. Winter): \$2,598.15

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

Correspondence was presented from Consumers Energy and the Par Plan.

The Edenville Township March Board of Review will be held Monday, March 13 - 2:00 to 5:00 and 6:00 to 9:00; and Tuesday, March 14 - 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 4:00 at the Swanton Memorial Center.

The board discussed the Consumers Franchise Agreement. It is an ordinance that is renewed every 30 years and allows Consumers the use of the right of way for power lines and such. After board discussion it was decided to forego an Attorney review and add the approval to the agenda for next month's Board meeting.

The Township Insurance Policy adjustments were discussed. The following changes were suggested and discussed:

- o Building replacement (cost and contents) coverage was raised 3%.
- o The Fire Department Suburban replacement cost was raised to reflect current replacement cost.
- o Added the Playscape and basketball hoop at The Swanton Memorial Center and the Basketball hoop at Gransden Park.

Draves to make the changes and submit the forms to Burnham and Flower.

Replacement Furniture and Carpet for Swanton Hall were discussed. The Township joined MiDeal to take advantages of discounts for Township purchases. Estimates for costs of carpet and furniture were discussed. The board was in agreement to obtain one additional bid on the carpet and also call Space and clarify the shipping charges on their bid. The Board will make a decision at the next meeting.

Howden's Lawn Service was approved for 2017 summer lawn services by unanimous roll call vote.

Approved, as amended, at the April 4 2017 Regular Edenville Township Board Meeting.

Minor changes to Zoning Ordinance #182 were approved by unanimous roll call vote. The changes become effective 7 days after publication in the Midland Daily News. Draves will submit for publication next week. The changes are as follows:

ARTICLE 15, SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS, Section 15:10.2: “Pole barns or similar structures shall be set back a minimum of 50 feet from the front lot line, or not closer to the front lot line than the primary dwelling.”

ARTICLE 16, NON CONFORMING USES, Section 16.01: added 16.01.C: “If a non-conforming lot is not large enough to accommodate a dwelling with a septic system, an accessory use building may be allowed. All lot setbacks must be adhered to. No accessory buildings without a dwelling will be allowed in R-1 Residential. Lots 60 feet or less in width shall have side setbacks of 8 feet, back setback of 10 feet, and front setback of 50 feet. Corner lots 60 feet or less in width shall have one side setback of 20 feet, provided it does not interfere with any vision on the corner.”

ARTICLE 18, SIGNS, Section 18.03, : Added 2.b, signage requirements: “One on premise advertising sign for each principal or special use, other than dwellings, which sign shall not exceed eighteen (18) square feet in area and shall be set back at least twenty-five (25) feet from the front lot line.”

In History, changed: Amended Zoning Ordinance 161 – March 4, 2003, to Amended Zoning Ordinance 160 — March 4, 2003.

Public comment was received from D. Lewis, Shearer Rd. regarding a worsening blight situation on the corner of M30 and Shearer Rd.

Committee and appointment reports were received as follows: **Code Authority – Jim Sperling** one new member, Wise Township. The Code Authority launched a new website www.codeauthority.com. The following permits were issued in February for Edenville Township: 1 building; 1 plumbing; 2 mechanical, 2 electrical; and 2 water. The next Code Authority meeting is March 23. **Weed Committee – Jim Sperling**; \$115,000 was collected in 2016 through special assessments. The Weed Committee will work with PLM to plan for spring weed control methods and timing. There is a mid-May review scheduled with PLM. **Fire Department Grant Committee Update – Craig Gosen**; The Committee has not received the revised plans yet. They will review them when they arrive and have one more opportunity to make changes. After they receive the final plans they can start the Grant writing process. **Parks and Recreation Committee – Mary Beth Seasholtz**; baseball season is coming, and the Gransden Park field will be used by the Sanford Youth League. Practices will begin in late March and games begin in May and June. They will drag the infield once per week during April to mid-June to keep it soft and also keep the weeds down. **Planning Commission – Mark Haydanek / Linda Schultz**. Haydanek reported that the minor Zoning Ordinance changes have been completed and thanked Schultz for her assistance. He will update the document with the changes as approved by the board. He updated the board on the Baker Rd. property, which is currently zoned District C. New Hope will have to officially submit a site plan for Planning Commission approval before moving forward with the project. The next Planning Commission meeting is 7:00 p.m. April 10, at the Swanton Memorial Center. They plan to discuss medical marijuana facilities then make a recommendation to the board. **Zoning Board of Appeals – Jim Sperling** had nothing to report. On a side note; he and R. Dufresne did a walk around at the Swanton in response to Terminix recommendations. They found a couple of small screens that should have smaller mesh, but nothing else of concern was noticed. **Water District No. 1 – Craig Gosen**. Everything is going well. There were no new issues with billing. Edenville Township has 502 water customers. WD#1 is authorizing a reliability study through Wade Trim. This is a DEQ requirement.

Under Old Business Sperling gave an update on the new No Wake Buoys. The Township has purchased the buoys and everything needed for installation. They’re looking at an April 1 timeframe for installation.

Approved, as amended, at the April 4 2017 Regular Edenville Township Board Meeting.

Under New Business Sperling mentioned a DEQ class March 14th regarding Watershed/Inland Lakes to be held in Standish. Sperling motioned for approval for up to 2 people to attend the DEQ workshop, Gosen seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Gosen motioned to Adjourn at 8:05, Schultz seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lydia Draves
Clerk, Edenville Township