

Minutes

Edenville Township Board Meeting

December 14th, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

Swanton Memorial Center, 6422 N. Water Rd.

- Invocation
- Call meeting to order and pledge to the flag. 5:30 p,
- Township Board attendance by roll call (verifying quorum). Crystal Starkey Not present (she's ill) Karen Carey, Anedra Lewis, Terry Hall, Jim Sperling present
- Approval of agenda with additions Moved by Karen, 2nd by Anedra roll call vote All aye vote, approved.
- Approval of the minutes from the regular monthly Board Meeting held on October 11th, 2022 moved by Karen 2nd by Jim all aye vote.
- Payment of the bills – Anedra Lewis Anedra moved, Jim 2nd roll call vote all aye vote 4 passed pay the bills.
- Financial Report– Karen Carey Karen moves, Jim's 2nd roll call vote all aye vote to pay the bills
- MI CLASS report showing interest earned.
- Report on Swanton Trust.
- Correspondence
 - Received tax delinquencies from the county
 - Received draft audit report looks good
 - Received drain taxes from the county
 - Received the notification for the 2023 road allocations from the country road commission. \$70,000 in matching, total allocation 151,000. = 222,000 avail for roads.
- Generac extended warranty are we interested?
10 year Generac warranty for @ \$1035, Jim moved, Anedra 2nd, roll call vote all ayes to buy the warranty.
We received a check for 588.90 as our share of the dividend payment from accident fund wc policy
 - Public comments

- Residents may have at least one, three-minute, opportunity to address the Board. Please state your name and address for the record. (This is not a requirement to speak.)
 - Terry moved and Jim 2nd to support Four Lakes Task Force in their submission for a MI Sparks grant to improve the access to the Tittabawassee River asking for support all aye vote.
 - Petition submitted to pave Levely Rd
- Committee and appointment reports:
 - Fire Department Report - Roger Dufresne 29 runs
 - Fire Department Soup & Chili 22 October cancelled
 - Ordinance Enforcement- Greg Eagle reports
 - Planning Commission- Mark Haydanek draft minutes submitted from his last meeting
 - Water district report
 - Code Authority – Jim Sperling,
 - Parks and Recreation Committee – Mary Beth Seasholtz
 - Working with Fleis&VandenBrink
 - Negotiations to acquire property
 - Terry moved, Anedra 2nd for motion concerning Vanderbush property acquisition. And appoint Bob Johnson as a limited representative of the Township for this property acquisition. All aye vote, motion carried.
 - Zoning Board of Appeals– Dennis Lewis report of recent action Discussion ensued.
 - Discussion ensued over dimension variance application.
 - Karen moves to have Terry Hall, in his capacity as township supervisor, call attorney and ask these specific questions: 1. should the church go with the special use expansion permit to the Planning Commission; 2. Can the Planning Commission approve a variance. What order does this need to be done in. If this was done in the wrong order does it need to be redone? Terry wants to present the situation to the attorney, “Here is a zoning land use permit we received from a place of worship. What is the proper way to handle that?” or we can tell the attorney what was done by every person

involved and ask the attorney specifically how it should have been handled. Terry seconds Karen's motion. Terry will report what he learns at the next regularly scheduled board meeting in January. Karen asks Mr. Kohtz if the submitted drawing is the only way the building can be added onto. Mr. Kohtz says no. More discussion. Roll call vote – board votes unanimously in favor (Crystal not in attendance due to illness).

- Appointment - Bill Carey and Terry Hall to a two-term seat on Water District #1 commencing Jan. 1, 2023 ending Dec. 31, 2024.
- ZBA needs another person.

Old Business

- Copier bids - One bid from Konika Minolta. Konika rep told Anedra the terms of lease have changed and it isn't worth it to lease a printer. Anedra makes a motion to purchase a new printer. No second. Motion fails for lack of support.
- Electronic door for township office. There are two bids. One for the all electronic door – ASA Abloy ????? All Electronic glass sliding door with front push button. The bid doesn't include electrical work; other bid is from Dover Door to replace the current door that allows for the electronic push button access; electric strike included. The price to replace what we have plus the opener is \$500 to \$700. more than the Assay Abloy est. Decision made to postpone consideration.
- October 21 John Marsh commenced mowing the lake bed. Review of mowing maps. Conditions were perfect for mowing and recovering debris that hadn't been removed. John Marsh hasn't had any negative comments about mowing. Residents have been very grateful. Mowing is now allowed all the way to the edge of the river. John Marsh has gone much farther for the hours than the first go around. Bret Heinz is very happy mowing has been done in Edenville Township as it makes removal of debris much easier. Terry asks about impact of herbicidal treatment on bottom lands. Did it have any effect on John's ability to mow? John says the treatment made it much easier to mow - about 30 to 50 percent easier to mow. Heinz

crew was not allowed to do any safety improvements – only removal per its contract with FLTF. John wants to be able to do safety improvements. John requests an extension of \$19,600 to finish mowing and do safety improvements. Discussion. John will tackle safety improvements first. Terry Hall makes a motion to pay \$33,000 from ARPA funds for work completed towards the October contract. Further move for a change to the October contract and add on \$19,600 (80 hours) to be paid \$10,000 now and \$23,000 payable January 1, 2023. Anedra seconds the motion. Roll call vote passed unanimously.

- Veteran Support Opportunities at the Township.
 - Terry Hall – Matthew Clark, Michigan Veteran Navigator, 989-272-7275, would like to start a new program, “Donuts with Vets” at Swanton Hall the third Wednesday of every month **9a.m. to Noon**. Discussion. Terry will get with Roger about blocking off the third Wednesday of every month on the calendar. Terry will write press release and give it to Anedra to be published.
- Election Update – 2,230 voters; 57.44% of registered voters voted.
- Open Meetings Act Compliance – law has changed about publishing minutes. State has changed requirements for publishing. Based on the assessed value of all the properties in Edenville Township (under \$104 million dollars) we no longer have to publish minute meetings in the newspapers. Minutes will still be available to the public upon request. Special hearings do still have to be published.
- New Business
 - Establish Calendar of Meetings – three meetings are changed from **Tuesday to Wednesday** (March 1, June 13, December 13).
 - Developing proficiency within the township offices, boards and committees – Terry proposes that all township committee members meet and establish policies together in order to better serve Edenville Township residents, an “Edenville Township In-service Day.” Jim suggests a July meeting. July 17, 7 p.m. is date set for In-

Service Day. Anedra stresses MTA educational package needs to be taken advantage of. Terry moves to approve township board meeting dates for 2023 as amended. Seconded by Karen, motion passes unanimously.

- Snow removal - There is no current contract with Delisle. He is selling his business and isn't interested in working with the Township regarding excess salting. Howden's will honor the bid it submitted in the Fall. Anedra moves we accept Howden's bid, Terry seconds, roll call vote motion passes unanimously. Anedra will contact Howden's tomorrow.
- Discussion about MiDeal – Anedra moves to cancel MiDeal, Jim seconds; roll call motion passes unanimously.
- Terry - Issue call to Offices, Boards, and committees to turn in fiscal year budgetary requirements sought for 2023-2024 by April 1, 2023 board meeting. Make sure postage and printing is included in budget for committees.
- Roads approval for 2023 – Terry moves that the board authorizes Terry to sign the Clarence Court estimate for \$15,700 and turn it over to the road commission for action next year (2023). Second by Jim; roll call vote passes unanimously. Next business is Flock Rd.; preliminary estimate to pave based on discussion with Art Buck. If the board decides to do improvements he will change the gravel from 23A to 22A that will not change cost and the road can be paved for about \$113,000 or less. Discussion. Motion to pave Flock Rd. spending up to \$113,000. Board approves paving of Flock Rd. Motion to pave Flock Rd. spending up to \$113,000 made by Terry, seconded by Jim Discussion about Hull Rd. from Water Rd. to East .5 miles, gravel, drainage, storm drains, misc. Discussion. SoVa sand pit; weight of large trucks affecting the road. Estimate is \$94,000. Motion by Terry to approve Hull Rd. improvements, second by Jim. Further discussion – Karen comments SoVa said he wasn't going to use Water Rd. and would use M-30 but he continues to use Water Rd. SoVa sand pit trucks will adversely affect the road quality. Discussion about road

restrictions to be added in January. Roll call motion passes unanimously. Discussion about ditches and drains.

- Last Word:
 - Trustee: Lewis
 - Trustee: Carey –
 - Trustee: Hall,
 - Trustee: Sperling

- Motion to Adjourn by Jim Sperling

Anedra Lewis
Clerk ,Edenville Township