

MINUTES

Edenville Township Board Meeting

~~Tuesday~~ **Thursday**, March 7th, 2019, 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 7:02 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/DELETIONS/CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Carey motioned to approve the agenda, Sperling seconded and after a voice vote the agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Draves moved to approve the regular board meeting minutes with corrected title for February 12, 2019, Schultz seconded, and the meeting minutes were approved with suggested changes.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR TOWNSHIP BILLS:

Draves motioned to pay the regular Township bills.
General Checking 30654 – 30679: \$48,520.06
Fire Department 2792 – 2801: \$4,420.81
Swanton Memorial 21591 – 21597: \$1,452.19
FED and State EFT Tax Payments: \$1,764.01

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

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

Carey motioned to pay the following special bills;

Republic Services Inv. #0237-001700538: \$9,444.11
Midland Co. Treasurer Inv. #91-06: \$4,875.00
Spicer Group Inv. #194829 REV Fire Designs: \$3,483.00
Midland Co. Road Commission Inv. #3759: \$2,752.09
Midland Co. Treasurer Inv. #91-04: \$96,000.00

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

MOTIONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD:

Gosen motioned for the Planning Commission to move ahead with the comment phase of the Township's Future Use Plan. Schultz seconded and the motion passed via voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

We received notification from the Harry A. & Margaret D. Towsley Foundation awarding a \$25,000 for the Fire Department project. Thank you to B. Johnson and C. Sias for their efforts on the grant application.

The 2019 *March Board of Review* will be held at the Swanton Memorial Center on: *Monday, March 11 from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.*

Tuesday, March 12 from 9:00 a.m. – noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

A new assessor manual was issued by the State and with the new formulas and guidelines some property assessments went up so the BOR is expecting an increase in attendance.

Draves submitted the renewal questionnaire to Burnham and Flower for the Township insurance renewal. We are waiting for the proposal and cost estimate and should have them for approval at the April Board Meeting.

The transfer switch was replaced on the generator at the Swanton Memorial Center. ESCON also performed the annual maintenance while they were there.

After the last power outage Dufresne noticed that all of the power was not restored to all areas of the building. Thank you to Roger for being on top of the situation!

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENT REPORTS:

Code Authority – Jim Sperling; Their last meeting was held on February 28, 2018. There were 9 permits issued for February; 7 mechanical, 1 plumbing and 1 building. They're working on the finalizing their manual. The next meeting is March 28, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

Fire Department Report - Roger Dufresne; There were 28 runs for February; 20 medical, 2 investigations, 2 PDA, 2 downed trees, and 2 downed power lines. They will be participating in a program with the City of Midland Fire Department to aid residents 60 and older with safety upgrades to their homes.

The FD currently has members in the Fire Academy course. Two have passed the State test, and they have a third member still testing.

Fire Station addition/refurbishment – Craig Gosen gave an update; JBS is working on the revised drawings and we could have them as early as next week. They are still confident we can get most of the work done for \$450,000.

Parks and Recreation Committee – Gosen reported that M.B. Seasholtz submitted the final T.O.W.N. Grant forms.

Planning Commission – Mark Haydanek ; They've had a busy first quarter working to finalize the Township Future Use Plan and map. Asked if the board sees anything that would prevent them from beginning the comment phase of this project. Gosen's recommendation is vote to move it forward with a couple of minor revisions.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Jim Sperling; They had one set back variance request that was forward to Acting Chair, Lynn Arnold for action.

Weed Committee – Jim Sperling; They had a meeting with all members present. They discussed going out for bids for weed control renewal, but after a discussion on the Four Lakes Task Force efforts to save the lakes and a possibility of additional special assessments coming, the consensus was to try and stay with PLM. They will get back to the board on their decision.

Web Master - Del Lafavor; Draves reported the fire-wall on the computer system was installed by LINKED. Del expressed to Karen and Lydia a desire that he be phased out of the Webmaster position.

Water District No. 1 - Bill Page; There have been many leaks caused by freezing at homes and employees have been spending a lot of time assisting home owners. They will soon be interviewing to hire a new operator.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

Sperling motioned to adjourn the meeting and Schultz seconded. The meeting adjourned 7:48 p.m.

Lydia Draves
Clerk, Edenville Township