Minutes

Edenville Township Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 9th, 2018, 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/DELETIONS/CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Carey moved to approve the regular board meeting minutes for the meeting held on September 11, 2018, Schultz seconded, the meeting minutes were approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR TOWNSHIP BILLS:

Draves motioned to pay the regular Township bills.

General Checking 30472 - 30513: \$19,868.38 Fire Department 2734 - 2745: \$9,565.99 Swanton Memorial 21557 - 21564: \$5,812.05 FED and State EFT Tax Payments: \$1,898.24

Sperling 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 following special bills;

Republic Services Inv. #0237-001668352: \$10,796.62

Spicer Group Inv. #192926: \$3,125.00 Museum copies of maps Ck. #1023: \$21.00 Museum picture frames Ck. #1024: \$54.90

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

Carey reported on the tax collection as of the end of September. We will have more coming in.

MOTIONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD:

Gosen motioned to approve attendance to the MCTOA Annual Meeting at Valley Plaza for board members and deputies, at \$32.00 per person. Draves seconded and the motion passed unanimously via roll-call vote.

Gosen motioned to hire Bret Witte as our cemetery sexton, Draves seconded and the motion carried unanimously via voice vote.

Gosen motioned to approve the proposed Edenville Township Cemetery Ordinance #185 as finalized at the meeting, Schultz seconded and the motion carried unanimously via roll-call vote. Draves to publish the Ordinance Summary in the Midland Daily News within 30 days.

Carey motioned to approve the updated Edenville Township Cemetery Rules as finalized at the meeting, Sperling Seconded and the motion passed unanimously via roll-call vote.

Draves motioned to approve the proposed cemetery fee changes and make them effective November 1, 2018. Gosen seconded and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Carey motion to renew the Service Contract with LINKED Technologies for three years to take advantage of a 3% discount. Sperling seconded and after a roll-call vote the motion passed unanimously

Draves motioned to purchase two surge protector/battery back-up units for the treasurer and clerk computers for a total of \$190.64. Schultz seconded and after a roll-call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Gosen motioned that the fire department allow Jim Bailey, Jerome Township, to act as temporary firefighter for Edenville Fire Department. Sperling seconded and the motion passed unanimously after a voice vote.

Gosen motioned to use the balance of the money in the T.O.W.N. Grant on the repair of the porta john door at Harper Park, purchase and installation of a new door on the shed at Gransden Park, and a grill at Harper Park if there is still a balance. Schultz seconded and the motion carried unanimously after a roll-call vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

We received the notification of the November 29, 2018, MCTOA annual meeting at the Valley Plaza in Midland. The cost this year is \$32.00 per person.

The Township received the grant check for \$100,000 from the State Emergency Fund for the Water Road repair. This is reimbursement money for the flood damage of Water Road (between Curtis Rd and M-30).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

B. Johnson, Sherman Rd., Explained a New Edenville Cemetery issue that was questioned earlier in the meeting. Installation was turned down, not approved by a previous board but then acted on by the family, after the fact.

D. Lafevor, Curtis Rd., asked if Curtis Road fell into the township road plan. Gosen, replied no, it is a primary road and 100% of the maintenance is paid for by the Midland County Road Commission.

COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENT REPORTS:

Code Authority – Jim Sperling reported four new water; four building; three plumbing; four mechanical; and four electrical permits were issued in September. The Code Authority is going through the manual, and will look at their fee schedule as well. The next meeting is on October 25 and they'll continue working on the manual and fee schedules.

Fire Department - Roger Dufresne reported the runs for September included; nine medical; one investigation; two fire; three PIs; one PDA; three lift assists; one power line down; one tree down; and three call offs. The department is short-handed and they're trying to get Jim Bailey on the payroll from Jerome to help.

Truck or treat on October 25 at the school and Jill Dufresne will take a truck. The Jerome fire prevention program will be on October 25 and 26 and Edenville will join them.

The Edenville Fire Auxiliary Fundraiser dinner is on Oct 20th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., at the Swanton Memorial Center.

Fire Department Grant Committee – Bob Johnson; the committee met tonight to discuss some additional grants. C. Sias will begin looking at timelines.

Planning Commission – Mark Haydanek; The Commission met and completed the final edits for the 5-year master plan. Once they've completed the final edit, get a new map from Chris Cantrel, Midland County GIS, and the document is complete they'll send it to Draves to set up the public hearing for a final review.

The 5-year plan also supports the Parks and Recreation needs for their 5-year plan.

Haydanek fielded a couple of phone calls regarding property acquisition and ordinances. Another gentleman bought property on Water, and inquired whether the Planning Commission would consider rezoning to light commercial, he was told no because that would constitute spot zoning.

The Commission has a long list of items identified for updating the Zoning Ordinance with work to begin revisions in 2019.

Gosen took a call from an appraiser asking about the zoning on the Boyce property.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Jim Sperling; The Second Midland County Parks and Recreation meeting regarding the Verity property will be held on October 30, 7:00 p.m. Sperling, has not seen any renewed plans yet.

The ZBA is still reviewing their Bylaws.

Parks and Recreation Committee – Mary Beth Seasholtz; The floating dock has been removed and the end of the access ramp has been blocked off for winter. They'll shut down the parking lot when the snow begins.

There is still money left in the T.O.W.N. Grant after installing the pavilion at Harper Park, the bench at the Swanton Memorial Center, and the swings at Gransden Park. There's approximately \$600.00 left to use. It was suggested to fix or replace the door on the shed at the ball diamond at Gransden. Johnson is getting a quote then estimate what else is left. Suggestions for the remainder of the funds include fixing the hinge on the door at Harper park porta john and installing a grill at the Harper Park pavilion. The final T.O.W.N. Grand report will be submitted after the work has been completed.

Judy Page reported the September 22nd work day was very successful. The 4H group from Hope was very helpful and she thanked the board members that helped.

Museum Manager – Draves reported the museum was open for a short time during the Elmore reunion on September 29 and had approximately 25 visitors. The museum received a donation from Bill Elmore; a book of Edenville School Board Meeting Minutes!

Web Master - Del Lafevor; managed a letter referred by Draves for domain maintenance, it was a solicitation and was ignored. He has been doing regular updates and maintenance on the Township website.

Water District No. 1 - Bill Page; WD#1 is now set up for credit card and on-line payments. If interested inquire at the office or check their website. They've completed the hydrant flushing,

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cleaning, and water level setting for winter. They're working with Consumers on identifying underground digging hazards.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sperling reported that Yeager has started the work at the Swanton on the catch basin work in the parking lot. The board discussed getting quotes to repair the North approach in the spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

The request for bids for cemetery sexton that were submitted by Carl Preimer and Bret Witte were discussed by the board.

The board reviewed the pros and cons of the bids that were submitted.

The proposed Cemetery Ordinance was discussed before voting for adoption.

The Cemetery rules were updated based on the new Ordinance and were reviewed by the Board.

Cemetery fee changes were discussed, Draves proposed they become effective on November 1, 2018.

The LINKED Technologies service contract renewal and equipment quotes were discussed. Carey and Draves are both highly satisfied with their service. They recommended the three-year renewal option to take advantage of a 3% discount. There was also discussion on additional quotes for recommended purchases and services.

Gosen reported the 2018 Township road work is very close to completion. The Midland County Road Commission has done a very good job in 2018 completing all the normal projects and the additional repairs as a result of the June 2017 flood damage.

Gosen reported that he will be turning in the 2019 Edenville Township road work Project estimates this week and should have them back by December. The list won't be finalized until we get the final estimates. Two paving jobs are already approved and the rest are upkeep. In addition, he's working on a 7-year road plan to include gravel, chip and seals, ditching.

Sperling motion to adjourn, seconded by Schultz and the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Lydia Draves Clerk, Edenville Township