

MINUTES

Edenville Township Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 10th, 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 6:04 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:

Gosen proposed we move the Parks and Recreation update to the end of the agenda. Sperling has samples for the accordion door for the Swanton and would like to add that under old business. Sperling moved, Schultz seconded and the agenda was approved with changes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Carey moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting for March 7, 2017. Sperling seconded and the minutes were approved as presented via voice vote.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR TOWNSHIP BILLS:

Draves motioned to pay the regular Township bills.

General Checking 30231 – ~~30270~~ **30276**; \$19,715.84 (includes 2 State EFT \$657.51; 2 FED \$4,224.78) (voided ck. #30243 \$319.70)

Fire Department 2670 - 2683; \$3,982.07 (Payroll \$2,196.06)

Swanton Memorial 21515 - 21520; \$1,339.40

Schultz seconded and after discussion and 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 Invoice #0237-001630320, \$10,167.30

DeLisle Invoice #26847, \$600.00

Midland County Road Commission Invoice #3702, \$2,520.02

Midland County Treasurer, GL #378-000.000-678.100, 91-06 \$5,092.98

Midland County Treasurer, GL #378-000.000-678.100, 91.04 \$99,000.00

Catherine: 150.00 for cases.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

Draves mentioned that we had received the Provident A&H Insurance Renewal questionnaire from Burnham and Flower and has forwarded it to Chief DuFresne for his review. The Township Property and Liability Insurance renewal information has been submitted to the underwriter and we're waiting for the finalized quote.

Gosen noted that the 2018 spring yard waste pick-up dates are June 6th and June 20th, 2018.

Gosen reported that the prices for gravel and paving have gone up considerably. Because of that the road work that we approved went up \$12,677. Gosen said additional funds were approved by Governor Snyder to go to the counties. Edenville got an additional \$12,500. A neighboring Township is unable to use their extra matching funds and offered it to us. Gosen asked for board approval to accept their offer, we would have to match that. Gosen motioned that we accept that these additional funds and do chip and seals on Weeping Willow, Island Drive and Anna Lane. It's money we were planning to spend next year but we'd see a \$12,500 savings over two years. Carey seconded and after a roll-call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Gosen also noted that at the Road Commission meeting with the Townships he found out they are still planning to repair Water Road at an approximate cost of \$240,000. We received 100K from FEMA flood fund to put with that. The project is to be completed by August to be eligible for the extra funds.

Draves presented Howden's bush and tree removal proposal for the Swanton (\$150.00) and their 2018 Mowing proposal for the Swanton, Fire Stations 1 and 2, Township Office, Township Park, and the cemeteries. Sperling motioned to accept both proposals, Gosen seconded and the motion passed unanimously after a roll-call vote.

Sperling will follow up on the cement work proposal for the Swanton and will bring it next month. He will also follow up on painting of the soffits and vent issue and bring that to the May meeting as well.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENT REPORTS:

Assessor – Gosen presented for Rifenburg that at the March Board of Review they completed, 25 petitions which included 10 for change in value; 2 personal property – late filing; 7 veteran's exemptions; and 5 poverty exemptions with 1 tabled for more information.

2017 Building Permits for the Township included 6 new homes; 2 porches; 6 additions; 7 pole building/garage/shed; 3 demolitions; 4 remodel/reroof; and 1 fence.

The assessed values Ad Valorem went from 106,588,200 to 108,238,400 and Special Acts remained level at 1,837,300. The Taxable values Ad Valorem went from 91,292,416 to 94,643,815 and Special Acts went from 741,343 to 756,304.

Code Authority – Jim Sperling reported their last meeting was held on March 22 – permits issued for Edenville Township were 2 water; 1 mechanical; 2 plumbing; and 5 electrical. The next meeting is April 19th at County building at 5:00 p.m.

Fire Department Report - Chief Dufresne reported that the march March runs included 1 mutual aid; 3 medical; 1 PDA; 3 investigations; 1 fire; and 2 call offs for 11 total runs. The Beaverton Fire Department is hosting a Fire Chief 101 seminar on May 15 at 6:00 p.m. and board members as well. He also voiced concern about which accounts any extra funding for the Fire Department Renovation will come from, although at this point no decision has been made whether extra funding will be necessary.

Fire Department Grant Committee – Craig Gosen reminded everyone that the Grant writing process will be sun setting shortly. Two grant proposals will be finished by the end of the week.

Gosen proposed putting together a new committee for the design/construction phase of the renovation project. Johnson is researching design firms.

Parks and Recreation Committee – Judy Page introduced Jackson Crego, a Township resident and 4H member. Crego approached Page about 4H getting involved with the Harper Park project this summer, planting shrubs for wildlife to shelter in. He is doing this in conjunction with earning his 4H leadership award. The leadership award is a community service award. Crego and his 4H group will help with the project planning and implementation under Page's guidance. Page is looking forward to working with Crego and his team.

This summer their hope is to plant the shrubbery. They are currently researching plants for wet, dry, and sunny areas. They provided a handout of proposed shrubs for Harper Park. Their initial request is for \$468.00, which does not include shipping and handling. The shrubs will be ordered from WildType, which is where the native species flowers came from in past years. Gosen moved to approve the \$468.00 plus the cost to get the plants up here. Sperling second and after a roll-call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Sperling would like to see a sign *4H Working Today*, and for safety purposes closing the parking lot while they're working. 4H parents will be in attendance while the 4H members are working at the Park.

Planning Commission – Mark Haydanek reported the Planning Commission had a quiet first 1Q. They're still addressing the 5-year plan. He also received a Zoning ordinance question on the boat ramp on Water Rd. and they will address that next week at their meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Jim Sperling said they had a great meeting with members who went to the recent MTA ZBA training. All three said it was the best session yet.

They're making a few changes on the ZBA Application and the by-laws are almost ready.

Water District No. 1 - Bill Page gave an update on spaghetti lines vs. main lines. WD#1 doesn't allow spaghetti lines.

WD#1 has a new employee, adding to the already terrific staff.

There are still a number of customers with the old meters and they will be encouraging and communicating with them to upgrade to the new meters. Gosen added that the only Edenville customers that may be impacted would be on M30.

Gosen added they will be talking with the city about allowing anyone on the perimeter of the water district to connect to a main with a service line if the main is on the other side of the road.

Museum Manager – Catherine Sias bought two new display cases which are lit and have glass fronts! The Museum opens Memorial weekend, maybe first week of June. The Veteran's flags will be placed before Memorial Day. Contact Catherine if you'd like to help.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sperling received a quote from Michael J. Rudy Builder for the accordion door replacement for the Swanton Memorial Center.. Carey motioned to go with the solid wood door with the teak veneer for \$10,381.00 not to exceed 11,000.00 including installation. Schultz seconded and the motion passed unanimously after a roll-call vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

Sperling motioned to adjourn, Schultz seconded and the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Lydia Draves,
Clerk, Edenville Township