

**MINUTES**  
**Edenville Township Board Public Hearing**  
**Noxious Weed Mitigation and Bottomland Maintenance**

April 19, 2022 6:00 p.m.

Swanton Memorial Center, 6422 N. Water Rd.  
Edenville, MI

- Invocation given at 5:55pm
- Call meeting to order and pledge to the flag done at 6:00pm
- Township Board attendance by roll call (verifying quorum): J.Sperling: Yes; K.Carey: Absent; T.Hall: Yes; C.Starkey: Yes; A.Lewis: Yes.
  - J.Snyder as Deputy Treasurer in attendance.
  - J.Marsh in attendance.
- Approval of agenda:
  - J.Sperling moved to adopt Agenda; A.Lewis seconded.
    - A.Lewis motioned to add the parking lot bids to the Agenda; C.Starkey seconded.
    - Voice vote: Motion approved by majority, voice vote.
  - Motion to approve Agenda as amended by voice vote.
- Opening Statement by Supervisor:
  - Weed Assessment: The previous Board set the weed Assessment to zero when the flood occurred; this year we are going to re-set \$198.10 for front lots and \$99.05 for backlots. This will enable the Township to capture approximately \$132,528, which is essentially the same amount collected in the 2020 tax year; we are electing not to increase this by the allotted 3% as allowed by law. In the fiscal year of 21-22 we have spent approximately \$29k for the noxious weed mitigation as well as an additional \$5k for the herbicidal application permit and \$1,100 for debris disposal. Due to the time it takes to obtain the permit, we couldn't wait any longer.
  - For the 2022-2023 fiscal year we have to examine stump grinding costs (approximately \$37,500), mowing (approximately \$73,500), herbicidal treatment (approximately \$80,000), which is a total cost of approximately \$191,000. We expect to get \$132,528 from re-

instituting the weed tax collection, that leaves us in the negative by \$58,472.

- Supervisor Hall proposed eradicating the weed tax assessment and replacing it with a Water Assessment that could be utilized for a myriad of reasons including the lakebed weeds, road ditches, etc.
- C.Starkey moved to approve parking lot re-doing of \$64,825 at Swanton Hall to be paid for from ARPA funds and the Gransden parking lot \$1,570 from the Parks & Rec fund (both bid by Yeager); A.Lewis seconded. Roll Call vote: J.Sperling: Yes; T.Hall: Yes; C.Starkey: Yes; A.Lewis: Yes. Motion passed unanimously.
- T.Hall moved to approve 93 hours of grinding and debris removal for J.Marsh at a cost of \$30,000; J.Sperling seconded. Roll Call vote: J.Sperling: Yes; T.Hall: Yes; C.Starkey: Yes; A.Lewis: Yes. Motion passed unanimously.
- Open discussion
  - Those in attendance may have at least one, three-minute, opportunity to address the Meeting. Please state your name and address for the record. (This is not a requirement to speak.)
    - Discussion ensued
- A.Lewis moved to adjourn at 7:35pm; J.Sperling seconded.

Terrance A. Hall Jr.

Edenville Township Supervisor

*Board approved 5-10-22*

*Clark Alexandra Harris*