# APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MOORLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021

The Moorland Township Board of Trustees met Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 7 pm and was called to order by Supervisor Nutt. Nutt led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Dan Nutt, Clerk Rose Spoelman, Treasurer Maureen Hogan, Trustee Anita Knapp, Trustee Jake Tyers (5)

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Fire Chief Leon Wolverton and Assistant Fire Chief Don Pant, Sabra Guy, Administrative Assistant, Mike Pierson, Ravenna Independent and (2) residents.

#### SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Nutt to approve the agenda, Knapp seconded the motion and the agenda passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)

## **SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MARCH 11, 2021 BOARD MINUTES**

Motion by Nutt to approve the budget meeting minutes of March 11, 2021, Spoelman seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)

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#### SUBJECT: TREASURERS REPORT

- 1) Motion by Nutt to accept the Treasurer's Report for the Fire Fund as presented. Knapp seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)
- 2) There were no Fire Fund Bills for this month that needed Board approval.
- 3) Motion by Nutt to accept the Treasurer's Report for the General Fund as presented. Hogan seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)
- 4) There were no General Fund Bills for this month that needed Board approval.

#### **SUBJECT: FIRE CHIEFS REPORT**

- 1) The Fire Chief gave the report of March 2021. Total runs-19
- 2) The Asst Fire Chief presented 4 garage door quotes to the board members; board discussed the need for new garage doors in the fire department. Spoelman made the motion to go with Quality Door, at the price of \$12,806.80, as long as the brand name of the door used could be given to the board, seconded by Hogan, and passed by roll call vote: Ayes: Tyers, Hogan, Knapp, Spoelman, Nutt (5).

# **SUBJECT: BUILDING REPORT**

- 1) Nutt gave the March 2021 report; (4) Building permit: (3) Electrical permits (6) Mechanical permits, (2) Plumbing permits. Total permits cost: \$2372.00, with 10% payable to the township for a total of \$237.20.
- 2) The clerk inquired as to if a demo permit has been pulled by the home on Apple Avenue for the burned pole barn to be removed; Nutt stated that they may be waiting for the insurance company before doing so.

## SUBJECT: PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

1) Next meeting is May 6, 2021. April meeting was canceled.

# **SUBJECT: ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

- 1) Nutt gave updates regarding violations in the township.
- 2) Nutt also would like to remind Moorland residents that dump passes are available. Nutt would like to ask residents with the warm weather we have been having, to take a section of a road and pick up garbage and their property. Also, noted, Moorland has a scrap yard that will take any unwanted scrap.
- 3) Nutt also discussed residential solar panels.

#### **SUBJECT: OLD BUSINESS**

1) None.

# **SUBJECT: NEW BUSINESS**

- Motion by Nutt to approve Resolution 2021-4-8, <u>Performance and Indemnification</u>
   <u>Resolution</u>, allowing Michigan Chloride Sales to brine our gravel roads, Hogan seconded
   the motion and it passed by roll call vote: Knapp, Hogan, Spoelman, Tyers, Nutt Ayes:

   (5)
- 2) Nutt made the motion to have Ron Irish continue to provide lawn care services for Moorland Township, at the rate of \$515.00 per month, which covers the Township Hall/Fire Barn, Cemetery, and dry hydrants, seconded by Knapp, and passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)
- 3) Spoelman made the motion to table a resolution from Great Lakes Energy, as the representative from the company has not called back to answer the questions the Board has, seconded by Hogan, and passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5)

## **SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMENT**

1) Mike Pierson asked if everything was ready to go for May's Election, the clerk confirmed that the township is ready and if any resident would like to vote absentee, please contact the clerk.

#### **SUBJECT: BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

1) Spoelman discussed the recent happenings with District 7 county commissioner, Malinda Pego, in which at the virtual County Commissioner meeting, Pego made a motion for succession of district 7, along with certain other districts in Muskegon County. This came as a surprise to the board members and many others. The Moorland Township Board of Trustees voted to have a letter sent to Commissioner Malinda Pego in regard to the lack

of or no representation at all from our commissioner. We, as a township in District 7, feel that it is important to know what is going on at the county level and also any motion that she feels will affect our District. Pego also has not responded to questions regarding this year's senior millage. The residents of Pego's district voted her in and expect Pego to represent our district and inform in the very least, the elected officials, so that they can inform their constituents.

# **SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Nutt to adjourn, Hogan seconded the motion and it passed by the following votes: Ayes: (5). Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Rose Spoelman Moorland Township Clerk