

Tentative:

Approved: X

**Pokagon Township Board Minutes  
May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Due to COVID-19 this meeting was held via conference call.**

The meeting of the Pokagon Township Board was called to order on Wednesday May 13th, 2020 at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Linda Preston. Roll call of members showed the following members present: Kevin Young, Linda Preston, and Christina Davis, Gary Mihills and Bob Shaffer.

Motion made by Bob Shaffer and second by Gary Mihills to approve the April 8th, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Richard Behnke - Reported that car accidents and traffic violations have went down in the county since the stay at home orders have been in place, and suspicious activity calls have doubled in the past month.

**REPORTS**

Supervisor: Participated in a SWMPM meeting via Zoom. Also, in an MTA zoom meeting about "getting back to work plans."

Clerk: Hired a deputy Clerk.

Treasurer: Kevin Young reported general fund balance at \$451,726.16 as of March 31th, 2020. He is getting ready for June summer taxes. He is still working with the state treasury to get the state withholding straightened out.

Zoning Administrator: Back in the office.

Blight Enforcement: Back in the office.

Building Inspector: Back in the office. Contractors are starting to work again.

Building Project: They were able to come in and finish the floors in the closet.

Cemetery Board: The Sumnerville cemetery had a workday. They fixed the pot holes in the road, removed a tree, and will be putting flags up at all cemeteries on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May. Bob made a motion to accept a resignation from Greg Hover and to add Mike Keesler, Gary second. Voice vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Fire Departments:

Pokagon – No report

Indian Lake – Reported 0 call for Pokagon Township for April.

Zoning Board of Appeals: No report

Planning Commission: The next quarterly meeting is June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Ambulance:

SMCAS – had 5 calls for April

Pride Care – had 14 calls for April

Assessor – Has been working from home and busy. All balanced with the county and ready for taxes

Transfer Station – Was open on May 2<sup>nd</sup> with that being a 50% off day. We need to get gravel in the drive so the dumpsters can be dumped efficiently.

Volunteerism – Many things get done that may not be recognized. Bob cleaned and swept the new bridge on Crystal Springs Rd. It took him a couple of days and he did a fantastic job. Family's from the 4-H club picked up the road side, leaves and sticks from the evergreen cemetery.

Correspondence: MPSC – I&M hearing. EGLE report of a new well.

Bills –The total amount of bills for April are \$52,164.04. Bob moved to accept the list of bills presented, Kevin second. Roll call vote. Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis, Bob Shaffer and Gary Mihills. All ayes, motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Dust control – Bob moved to do the 1 application of CC42, Gary second. Voice vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Hourly Rates – Gary moved to move the hourly rate from \$11.00 an hour to \$11.50 and the Per/diem from \$40 to \$45 for commissions and boards. Bob Second. All ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

MTPP Grant Application – we are applying for the MTPP Grant for two more security cameras, by the mechanical room and by the east front door to reduce the risk of break ins. Linda moved, Kevin seconds to adopted resolution #1 of 5-13-2020. Roll call vote. Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis, Bob Shaffer and Gary Mihills. All ayes, motion carried.

Zoom meeting with MTA – Linda participated in a zoom meeting with the MTA, and special guest Governor Whitmer. She hopes to get financial support from the federal Government for townships.

Linda made a motion made to adjourn and was seconded by Gary. Motion carried, voice vote. All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Christina Davis, Clerk

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