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Pokagon Township Board Minutes

Approved:

November 11th, 2020

The meeting of the Pokagon Township Board was called to order on Wednesday November 11th, 2020 at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Linda Preston. Roll call of members showed the following members present: Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis, and Gary Mihills.

Motion made by Bob Shaffer and second by Kevin Young to approve the October 14, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried by voice vote. All ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jeremiah Jones - New county commissioner introduced himself.

Veterans were recognized and thanked for their service.

Renee Meiser - Had questions on the August and November Elections.

REPORTS

Supervisor: SWMPC – participated in a zoom meeting and MTTP.

Clerk: The November election went well, we had a heavy turnout of 1192 total voters. We used all the ballots for two of our school districts; we had to use the Voter assisted terminal.

Treasurer: Reported general fund balance at \$382,427.40 as of October 31st, 2020. Getting ready to send out the winter tax bills. Kevin made a motion to extend the collection of winter taxes without interest or penalty to March 31st, 2021 for the 2020 winter tax season. Gary second. All ayes. Motion carried by voice vote.

Zoning Administrator: 3 permits issued for October.

Blight Enforcement: He has been out tagging cars and working on cases.

Building Inspector: August total was \$239.00 for three permits.

Building Project: Two more security cameras were installed.

Cemetery Board: Two burials in Sumnerville for October.

Fire Departments:

Pokagon – 4 calls for the month of October in Pokagon Township.

Indian Lake – 1 call for the month of October in Pokagon Township.

Zoning Board of Appeals: Linda made a motion to move Rose Scherr from the ZBA to the Planning Commission board and appoint Gary Booth to the ZBA board. Bob second. All ayes. Motion carried by voice vote.

Planning Commission: The next quarterly meeting will be in December.

Ambulance:

SMCAS – had 3 calls for October. 1 was cancelled.

Pride Care – 9 calls for October.

Assessor –Special assessments are in and balanced. They are ready for the tax bills. We’ll have a BOR in December.

Transfer Station – Will close November 21st.

Volunteerism – The janitor’s closet shelves were built and organized. The map and awards were hung in the main entrance. Many people helped to set up and tear down for the November Election.

Correspondence: MPSC hearing on November 19th for Indian Michiana Power and MEC will be doing tree work/line clearing soon.

Bills – The total amount of bills for October are \$18,751.45. Bob moved to accept the list of bills as presented, Kevin second. Roll call vote. Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis, and Gary Mihills. All ayes, motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

CVBESA agreement - Linda made a motion to enter into the agreement and authorities the supervisor to sign the contract, Gary seconds. Roll call vote. Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis, and Gary Mihills. All ayes. Motion carried.

New Business:

Road Commission meeting – will meet to discuss roads

Deaf child sign – The road commission is willing to put up two deaf child signs on Klumbis Road. Linda made a motion to have the township pay for two deaf child signs to be placed on Klumbis Road for a total of \$550.00, Gary second. Roll call vote. Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis, and Gary Mihills. All ayes. Motion carried.

Set work meeting – We will have a work meeting on December 1st.

Oath of office - The oath of offices were administered for each office. The new offices are Linda Preston, Supervisor. Kevin Young, Treasurer. Christina Davis, Clerk. Gary Mihills, Trustee. Bob Shaffer, Trustee.

Congratulations to all!

Linda made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was second by Gary. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Christina Davis, Clerk

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