

Tentative:

Pokagon Township Board Minutes

Approved:X

July 14th, 2021

The meeting of the Pokagon Township Board was called to order on Wednesday July 14, 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 Gary and second by Bob to approve the June 9, 2021 regular meeting minutes as presented. Voice Vote. All ayes, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marty Kleva – Cass County Road Commissioner, he oversees Pokagon, Silver Creek & LaGrange Township.

Mr. Norris – Had questions on his tax bill.

REPORTS

Supervisor: Participated in zoom meeting with MSU-E District 13 and an in person meeting with SWMPC, & MTPP.

Clerk: We had an Unemployment claim made to the township and the claim was denied.

Treasurer: Kevin Young reported general fund balance at \$389,165.66 as of June 30th, 2021. Summer tax bills have been mailed out. Make sure to read the back of your tax bill for important information!

Zoning Administrator: no report

Blight Enforcement: He was out tagging cars and handing out copies of our ordinances.

Building Inspector: 4 Permits for June.

Cemetery Board: Working on getting holders for the plates that were donated. Gary made a motion to order 50 of the rod holders for the donated plates, and for that to be expensed out of the cemetery fund. Christina second. Roll call vote. Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis, and Gary Mihills. All ayes, motion carried.

Fire Departments:

Pokagon – 10 calls in Pokagon Township for June.

Indian Lake – no report

Zoning Board of Appeals: Linda made a motion to reappoint three board members; Mike Freeman, Gary Booth, and Minnie Warren for a 3 year term. Second by Kevin. Voice Vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Planning Commission: Linda made a motion to reappoint Rozanne Scherr for a 4 year term. Second by Bob. Voice Vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Ambulance:

SMCAS – had 3 call for June.

Pride Care – had 30 calls for June.

Assessor – Board of Review will be held next Tuesday the 20th.

Transfer Station – Is open.

Website – We will be getting the link added for the Dowagiac River water trail

Volunteerism: The bush on the corner of the building has been trimmed up and the Indian mounds on Wood Road have been mowed.

Correspondence: Cass County Road Commission pamphlet, and Cass County tire collection/house hold hazard waist will be held August 21st.

Bills – The total amount of bills for June are \$27,602.00. Kevin moved to accept the list of bills presented, Bob second. Roll call vote. Bob Shaffer, Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis, and Gary Mihills. All ayes, motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Indian Lake Weed Control: Linda moved, Bob second to adopt the resolution # 2021-10 regarding Indian Lake weed control. We are rescinding resolution #2021-09, what we approved last month because Silver Creek Township formed a Lake Board for Indian Lake. The Pokagon Township appointee to the lake board will be James Rubino.

New Business:

MTA Principles of Governance: Linda made a motion to adopt the Principles of Governance, Kevin second. Voice Vote. All ayes, motion carried.

Support Letter for Cass County Parks–Dowagiac River: We have written a letter of support for the Cass county parks, who are applying for grants to help clear the river for a water trail.

Gary made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Kevin. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Christina Davis, Clerk

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