

Minutes

Edenville Township Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 14, 2015, 7:00 p.m.
Swanton Memorial Center, 6422 N. Water Rd.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Gosen at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge to the flag was given.

Township Board attendance by roll call was taken; Karen Carey, Lydia Draves, Craig Gosen, and Galen Gransden were present. Bill Carey was absent.

Draves motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by K. Carey, motion passed.

K. Carey asked to revise a typographical error in the minutes from the proposed monthly Board Meeting held on March 4, 2015 under Fire Department Report to reflect a FD secretary salary of \$400.00 not \$40.00. Draves motioned to strike from the March 4, 2015, proposed meeting minutes, Trustee Carey's comments under Trustee Reports as regards Supervisor Gosen, and approve the minutes, as amended. Gransden seconded and the motion passed.

Draves motioned to approve all Township bills being presented.

General Fund Checks: 28721- 28778: \$19,678.49
Swanton Checks: 21297- 21303: \$5,858.15
Fire Department Checks: 2285 - 2302: \$8,189.92
EFT Payment: \$2,163.76

Motion was seconded by Gransden, a roll call vote was taken: Gransden – yes, Gosen – yes, Draves – yes, K. Carey – yes. The motion passed unanimously.

K. Carey gave the Treasurer's report. We're expecting the last payment from the County for delinquent taxes. K. Carey motioned to pay the Special Assessment Bills:

Republic Services Inv. #0237-001383492: \$7,638.72
DeLisle Lawn Care and Landscaping Inv. #16008: \$600.00
Midland Co. Road Commission Inv. #3479: \$2,392.00
Midland Co. Loan Payment #91-04, Int.: \$108,000.00
Midland Co. Loan Payment #91-06, Int.: \$10,875.00
Bank of America Acct. #1593200: \$41,942.55 (last payment fire trucks)
Diamond Dust for Gransden Park: \$304.00

Gransden seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Correspondence:

- Status of road project estimates:** Gosen reported on the status of gravel for E. Shaffer. The Co. Road Commission is also working on the estimate for Levely.
- Insurance renewal:** The invoice for the upcoming insurance bill will be in the May board packet for discussion and approval at the next meeting.
- Howden's bid for lawn care:** Gosen reported there is no increase from last year and motioned to accept the Howden bid for Summer 2015 lawn care. Seconded by K. Carey and unanimously passed after a roll call vote. He will call Howden's to remind them of the guidelines for mowing at Gransden Park.
- FEMA update:** B. Johnson submitted a report on FEMA updates.

L. Draves gave updates on the M-30/US10 Roundabout and the May 5th Special Election for Proposition 15-1.

K. Carey motioned to approve attendance and mileage for the 2015 Legislative Day hosted by the Michigan Townships' Association. Seconded by Gosen and passed unanimously after a roll call vote.

Public Comments:

- R. Crowder,** Levely Rd., commented on the filling to be done with gravel at the end of Levely Rd. She stressed the importance of the buses being able to travel to the end of the road. Gosen will call the Road Commission and speak with Sam.

Committee and Appointment Reports:

- R&R Assessing:** K. Rifenbark reported that the 2015 assessment has been submitted to Midland County. She also mentioned that the taxable value and the assessed value for the Township has dropped overall.

Approved at the May 12, 2015 Edenville Township Board Meeting.

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2. Trustee Reports:

- a. K. Carey reported on behalf of B. Carey that the Code Authority met on March 26, 2015 and there was not a lot of business. The Township checks and bills appear to be in order.
- b. G. Gransden motioned to approve attendance of the MTA Planning & Zoning seminar in Mt. Pleasant on April 29, 2015, by any Twp. Board, ZBA, and Planning Commission members who choose to attend. K. Carey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. **Fire Department:** Chief Dufresne reported 23 runs for March. 10 Medical; 5 Fire; 1 PDA; 4 Assists; 1 wire down; 1 mutual aid, and 1 CO. He asked the board to approve spending \$4,000.00 to replace 20 air cylinders that are going out of date. Gosen motioned to allow the FD to replace the air cylinders and was seconded by K. Carey. The motion passed unanimously after a roll call vote. Chief Dufresne also gave an update on the Fire Station #1 upgrade.

4. **Planning Commission:** R. Crowder reported she had four calls. One regarded owning chickens. Fisher contracting is pulling sand for the M-30/US10 project. Verizon will be replacing equipment on their M-30 Tower (letter on file). One call on a privacy fence on Francis Shores Ave.

5. **Parks and Recreation:** M.B. Seasholtz gave project updates.

- a. She received two bids for the wood preservative application at Harper Park. After meeting with both contractors; All Phaze Painting and Edgar Painting she made the recommendation to award the project to Edgar Painting. Gosen motioned to go with Edgar Painting for the project, seconded by Gransden and after a roll call vote passed unanimously.
- b. She gave an update on the Natural Species planting at Harper Park. Gosen motioned to approve up to \$2,500.00 to work with Wildtype and Chippewa Nature Center to purchase the plants, seconded by K. Carey and passed unanimously after a roll call vote.
- c. Harper Park Dock installation: Dockside quoted \$375.00 to install the dock. Gosen motioned to approve the funds to install the dock, seconded by Gransden and passed unanimously after a roll call vote.
- d. Grant status for bleachers and team benches at Gransden Park: We received a grant from the Michigan Baseball Foundation to purchase the bleachers and benches. Gosen motioned to purchase these items and Gransden seconded. The motion passed unanimously after a roll call vote.
- e. Other Gransden Park issues: She requested the porta-john be serviced once a week during the baseball season at Gransden Park and Draves will check with Guiett's. The diamond dust corral is done and the new gate will be done this week. The shed may need some additional attention due to door issues.

6. **Museum:** Draves reported that the museum will open Memorial weekend in conjunction with the placing of flags on veteran's graves.

7. **Water District #1:** Gosen reported on behalf of B. Page that Hope is still working on a few extensions.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Gransden motioned to adjourn, Draves seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lydia Draves
Edenville Township Clerk