

## **MINUTES**

### **Edenville Township Board Meeting**

Tuesday, August 8th, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Swanton Memorial Center, 6422 N. Water Rd.

#### **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Gosen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited

#### **ROLL CALL**

Karen Carey	Treasurer	present
Lydia Draves	Clerk	present
Craig Gosen	Supervisor	present
Linda Schultz	Trustee	present
Jim Sperling	Trustee	present

#### **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Sperling motioned to approve with the addition of a PLM invoice. Schultz seconded.

Adopted.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*June 27, 2017 Budget Hearing*

Moved by Carey, seconded by Sperling to approve the Edenville Township budget hearing minutes. All ayes, motion carried.

*June 27, 2017 Regular Board meeting*

Moved by Draves, seconded by Sperling to approve the Edenville Township Board meeting with one correction. All ayes, motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF REGULAR TOWNSHIP BILLS**

Draves moved and Sperling seconded to pay the regular Township bills:

General Checking 29930 - 29979; \$36,436.38, includes 2 EFT Pmts. Fed Tax: \$6,707.52

Fire Department 2582 - 2599; \$7,087.24

Swanton Memorial 21467 - 21476; \$9,117.80

After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF SPECIAL BILLS (Treasurer's Report on file)**

Carey motioned and Draves seconded to pay special bills

Republic services Invoice #0237-001570784, \$622.00

Republic Services Invoice #0237-001577632, \$311.00

Republic Services Invoice #0237-001575957, \$8,166.60

PLM Invoice #187133, \$1,548.00

PLM Invoice #186892, \$391.60

PLM Invoice #186379, \$67,087.00

City of Midland Landfill Invoice #11595, \$6,261.93

#### **MOTIONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD**

Gosen motioned and Schultz seconded to allow Planning Commission and ZBA members to attend the Planning and Zoning training given by MTA. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Sperling seconded to hire Traciak to run a financial analysis of the bond repayment fund. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

Draves motioned and Carey seconded to approve Brent Rifenbark as Edenville Township Assessor as of 1/1/18. All ayes, motion carried.

Carey motioned and Schultz seconded to officially accept the Letter of Engagement from Weinlander Fitzhugh for audit services for FYE 6/30/2017. All ayes, motion carried.

Draves motioned and Schultz seconded to implement the curbside recycling program based on survey responses, which were yes, 140 (54.7%) and no 116 (45.3%). After discussion a roll call vote was taken: Carey, yes; Schultz, yes; Gosen, yes; Sperling, no; Draves, yes. Motion carried.

Gosen Motion and Sperling seconded to switch from double chip and seal to asphalt for Genessee, Telegraph and Ingham. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Schultz seconded that if we do not have any more revisions on the plans for the Fire Department expansion at the meeting on August 17 that the Fire Department Grant Committee move forward with grant applications. Great Lakes would also be paid for their final invoice of \$1,500. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Carey seconded to approve the proposed ordinance changes submitted by the Planning commission. There was discussion. After a roll call vote; Sperling, yes; Carey, yes; Draves, yes; Schultz abstained, conflict of interest; Gosen yes, the motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Schultz seconded to approve the Coggins estimate for black dirt and seeding for entrance to Gransden. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Carey seconded to decline acceptance of a property donation to the Township on Verity Ct. after hearing the recommendation of the Parks & Recreation Committee. All ayes, motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Sperling seconded to accept the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Committee to accept the \$3,915.00 bid from Roebuck Builders for the maintenance work on the pavilion at Gransden Park and to add a wood preservative. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Sperling seconded to replace the broken swing on the playscape at the Swanton Memorial Center with a toddler swing. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Schultz seconded to allow the Parks and Recreation Committee to proceed with the T.O.W.N. Grant application to add a small pavilion at Harper Park. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

Gosen motioned and Schultz seconded to buy paint for the new trash barrel at Gransden Park. After a unanimous roll-call vote the motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Comments were accepted from Christine Voet, Jared Ayres, and Tim and Diane Hahn, all of Leonard St., and from Jeanette Snyder, Anna Ln.

**COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

Approved at the September 12, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

Abbott Ware drain maintenance: Gosen reported that D. Enos will spend some additional money to clear some trees and keep debris out of drains. As of December, 2018, there will be another small assessment for that work.

Water District RRI fund letters: Hope, Lee, and Edenville Townships are no longer required to put aside funds. Water District #1, by contract, is responsible for maintenance.

The Township received a letter from a Township Resident thanking the Fire Department for their assistance and for their professionalism, expertise, and especially their obvious concern. They added they are very proud of our Edenville Fire Department.

Gosen gave an update on the decision by Road Commission to cancel all road work (that has not already been started) in the Townships until next year. There was no information or timeline on fixing Water Rd. Gosen will call the Road Commission and ask if they can block Water Rd. with cement barriers. Sherman Rd. is beginning to deteriorate from people using it to look at Water Rd.

#### **COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENT REPORTS:**

*Code Authority* – Jim Sperling was not able to attend the last meeting. The next meeting is in two weeks on Thursday. New Hope Village has obtained their building permit and it aligns with what the Planning Commission approved for their site.

*Fire Department Grant Committee* – Bob Johnson reported they are meeting on August 17 with the intent of approving the latest drawings submitted by Great Lakes. If they approve the drawings they will then request approval to go for Grants. We have received the final invoice from Great Lakes.

*Fire Department* - Roger Dufresne reported 18 runs for July which included: 12 rescue; 3 mutual aid; 3 investigations. 231 is out of service right now because the PTO being checked. The problem is that the trucks aren't run enough. He added that work has not begun on catch basin replacement. Draves reported the deposit for the work has been sent and anticipates that the work will begin in a week or so.

*Planning Commission* – Mark Haydanek reported that the Planning Commission has been working on the Zoning Ordinance verbiage changes. They have been working on the language for a number of months. They conducted a Public Hearing on July 17<sup>th</sup> to address the changes for accessory use buildings and structures. The Planning Commission is asking the board to approve the proposed change the zoning ordinance language.

*Zoning Board of Appeals* – Marcia Kosnik said there have been no requests and no meetings.

*Lake Weed* – Gosen reported that the weed treatment was planned prior to flood but that the flood forced everything to be pushed back by three weeks. The July spraying did a great job of knocking the weeds back in many of the areas. There have been two smaller, targeted weed treatments since then. One more treatment will occur later this month for invasive weed and algae control.

*Parks and Recreation Committee* – Bob Johnson addressed several items.

Gransden Park still needs fill and seed around the replaced driveway tube.

Stan and Judy Kucemba offer to donate a Verity Ct. parcel to the Township. The Parks and Recreation Committee looked at the heavily wooded property and estimated that it would take around \$40,000 to make is usable adding that it's their belief that it doesn't meet our long-term goal. They recommend declining the donation at this time.

They also recommend replacing a broken swing on the playscape at the Swanton with a toddler swing, approximately \$100.00. They would also like to see a toddler swing added at Gransden Park and a bench added at the playscape at the Swanton.

Bob Johnson added that the Parks and Rec committee would like the board to do some upkeep on the pavilion at Gransden. It needs a new roof and the support posts are deteriorating at ground level. They received estimates from three contractors out of the five contacted. The Parks and Rec committee recommends accepting the low bid from Roebuck Builders, Option 1, at \$3,915.00. There was discussion on adding a preservative to the posts before they're put in the ground

Johnson addressed the T.O.W.N. grant project proposal. They'd like to install a small pavilion at Harper Park; replace a broken swing at Swanton with a toddler swing; add a toddler swing at Gransden; and add a bench at the playscape at Harper.

*Museum Manager* – Draves reported that in addition to the regular Saturday hours the museum has been open the last couple of Sundays because of events at the Swanton. She added that the new sign looks great.

*Web Master* – Del Lafavor has been doing regular maintenance on the office computers and posting items to the webpage. Draves mentioned that they are researching companies that can do webpage updating and document retention.

*Water District No. 1* - Bill Page reported that the City of Midland recently raised the bulk water rate but WD#1 was not increasing their water rates at this time. WD#1 has been working around hydrants, flushing, painting, trimming and mowing. They've hired new office manager, filling the position from within, combining two positions.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The sliding door between the lounge and the main hall at the Swanton is no longer functional and needs to be repaired or replaced. Also, the painting has not been done on the soffits and fascia at the Swanton and we're getting toward the end of summer. We need to obtain quotes for both projects.

Carey motioned and Schultz seconded to adjourn the meeting 8:47 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Lydia Draves  
Clerk, Edenville Township

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Lydia Draves, Clerk                      Date

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Craig Gosen, Supervisor                      Date