

**MINUTES**

**Edenville Township Board Meeting**

Tuesday, December 12th, 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/DELCTIONS/CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

Gosen requested to add Water Assessment and Solid Waste Corrections under New Business. Sperling move to approve the agenda with additions, Schultz seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Carey moved to approve the November 14, 2017, Township Board Meeting Minutes as presented, Schultz seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR TOWNSHIP BILLS:**

Draves motioned to pay the regular Township bills.  
General Checking 30105 - 30130; \$99,100.92  
Fire Department 2626 - 2637; \$1,730.19  
Swanton Memorial 21493 - 21499; \$891.18

Carey seconded. After a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL BILLS (Treasurer’s report on file):**

Carey motioned to pay the special Township bills.  
Republic Services Inv. #0237-001603930, \$9,147.72 (includes 2 fall yard waste pickups)  
PLM Lake & Land Management Inv. 16239, \$749.00

Draves seconded, and after a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

**2017/2018 Lake Weed Programs – Bre Grabill, PLM:** Grabill reported that this season went quite well. One treatment was postponed because of the June storm. They delayed the July treatment so June and July treatments were a two in one and it was very successful. They are recommending similar treatment for 2018. They’re very pleased with the condition of the Lake. Starry stonewort control will remain a focus going forward. The diversity of the plants is growing and the goal is to decrease density and increase diversity of the weeds, which is

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working. Included in the information given to the board were an Avis survey with a tally of each species, and a financial statement. They came in under budget this year so there is money to carry over into next season. Scheduling will begin in March and they'll get the notices out this spring. There is a potential new product that will work well on milfoil and when the new products become available they will introduce them into our program.

**Republic Services Curbside Recycling and Monday Solid Waste Pick Up** will be implemented in January. The recycle carts will be delivered in December. There will be two pickup dates for the RECYCLING program; one for the East side and one for the west side of lake. The solid waste pick up will be shifted from Friday to Monday. Full details and instructions will be delivered with the recycle carts. The large recycle bin at the Swanton will be removed with the delivery of the curbside carts.

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

Gosen motioned to approve the renewal of the Charter Franchise Agreement with the Township keeping the franchise fee at 3%. Sperling seconded and after a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Gosen motioned to approve the proposed 2018 road work plan for Edenville Township. Schultz seconded. There was discussion on the two chip and seal carry overs from 2017; 1). Verity, Flint, and Walter, and 2) Maplecrest. The Township portion of the proposed 2018 road work is \$168,510.62. The total estimated cost is \$286,375.94. After a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Gosen motioned to make the following appointments:

- Appointment of Kathy Ulman as Board of Review (BOR) voting member for the balance of the current term ending December 31, 2018
- Appointment of Arthur Peters as BOR alternate for the balance of the current term ending December 31, 2018
- Reappointment of Mary Herkner to the Planning Commission for a 3-year term ending December 31, 2020
- Reappointment of Lynn Arnold to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 3-year term ending December 31, /2020

Sperling seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Gosen motion to seek approval for the BOR member's attendance at the MTA Board of Review training held in February. Draves seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Grant from the State of Michigan, Department of State Police:** We have received the maximum \$100,000 funding (the maximum allowable) for repairs to the Water Rd washout.

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Estimated cost to repair the June 2017 flood damage in the Township is approximately \$246,000 and that total includes Water Rd.

The Road closed barrier at Water and Curtis has been moved and there are some concerns about the proximity of the Road Closed sign to the barrier across Water road.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

M. B. Seasholtz, N Verity, congratulated the board on the grant for the road repairs. She also asked about the emptying process for the recycle dumpster at the Swanton.

**COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENT REPORTS:**

*Township Assessor* - Gosen reminded us that the Board Of Review will be held tomorrow, December 13 at the Township Office at 6:00 p.m. This is the last opportunity for PRE adjustments, veterans and poverty exemptions.

*Code Authority –Sperling* said at their last meeting on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>; Edenville Township had 5 electrical and 5 mechanical permits for November. Their next meeting is December 21<sup>st</sup> 5:00 p.m. at the County Building and everyone is welcome.

*Fire Department Report - Roger Dufresne* reported 12 rescues, 1 call off, 1 brush fire, 2 lift assists, 1 mutual aid for Billings for 17 runs in November. At 189 so far for the year. Needs new tires for the Suburban, all season. Found a source for \$175/ all four for \$742.00. Just fixed the furnace at station 2. Three people running for 2 captain positions.

*Fire Department Grant Committee – Gosen* mentioned that he and Catherine Sias met with the Gerstacker Foundation last month and hopefully we'll be hearing from them soon. We have submitted applications to other Foundations, as well. We need roughly \$450,000 to move forward with the project.

*Parks and Recreation Committee – Mary Beth Seasholtz* – Harper Park is officially closed for the winter.

*Planning Commission –Linda Schultz* – The next meeting is in January. Election of officers will take place and they'll work on the 5 year plan.

*Zoning Board of Appeals –Sperling* noted that the draft of the Bylaws is ready and we should have them before the next Township Board meeting.

*Web Master - Del Lafavor*, nothing to report.

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*Water District No. 1 - Bill Page*, everything continues to run well. He explained how WD#1 works with residents on “lost water” situations (caused by undiscovered leaks, running toilets, etc.). The field workers are out winterizing the system. They’re working on the hydrants because it’s important to get the water in the hydrants down to a level that they won’t freeze. WD#1 is continuing to pick up customers. Gosen added that the State DEQ is implementing new copper and lead limits and he will keep us informed on any new details and issues that may have an impact on WD#1 or their customers.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

*Maintenance work at the Swanton Memorial Center:* *Dufresne* received a quote from Howden’s for \$100.00 to remove the bushes along the South edge of the building. *Sperling* found a business in Bay City that makes accordion-type room dividing doors. He will get back with Jim with some ideas. Still trying to get responses from contractors for paint and exhaust work. It was suggested we look at swapping out the fluorescent tubes with the LED type. *Sperling* will contact Consumers about their swap program.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Assessment Corrections:** Gosen motioned to make the following assessment corrections

- Water Assessments
  - 010-025-300-267-00: \$453.35 had two, moving one to 300-272 below
  - 010-025-300-272-00: \$453.35
  - 010-013-100-901-00: \$402.28 was paid off and was somehow added again.
- Remove Solid Waste Assessments from vacant land.
  - 010-480-500-370-00: \$115.00
  - 010-384-600-101-00: \$115.00
  - **010-025-300-267-00: \$115.00** (amended 9JAN18 by board action)

Carey seconded and after a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

*Sperling* Motioned to Adjourn at 8:11 p.m., Carey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Lydia Draves  
Clerk, Edenville Township