

MINUTES

Edenville Township Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 7th, 2018, 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/DELTIONS/CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Sperling motioned to approve the agenda as presented, Schultz seconded and after a voice vote the agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Draves moved to approve the February 13, 2018, Township Board Meeting Minutes with the following corrections: change the header from Agenda to Minutes and correct one typo (deltions to deletions). Carey seconded and the motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR TOWNSHIP BILLS:

Sperling motioned to pay the regular Township bills.

General Checking 30207 - 30230; \$24,168.31 (includes 1 State EFT \$306.15)

Fire Department 2662 - 2669; \$6,769.53

Swanton Memorial 21510 - 21514; \$1,127.02

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

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

Carey motioned to pay the following special bills;

Republic Services Invoice #0237-001624488, \$10,097.10

Republic Services Invoice #0237-001619062, \$311.00

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

Gosen said the balance in the Solid Waste account seemed low and Carey reminded him that there are solid waste funds currently invested in a CD.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Included in the board packet by Draves were the monthly IT Report from Linked; Energy Assessment reports performed by Consumers Energy; GAD Library billing and explanation of calculations; Midland Co. Dept. of Public Health Sanford Lake Shoreline Environmental Survey 2016-2017; the Food establishment Inspection Report on the Swanton; and a copy of the Township Insurance renewal proposal and questionnaire.

Gosen reported that a resident contacted him regarding a renewed interest in doing some paving or maintenance work on Fox Rd. Gosen explained the process for a private road and outlined what needed to be done to initiate a project.

Carey and Draves initiated a conversation about switching from CenturyLink to Parish. 20M vs. 10M and \$30.00/mo. less money. They will do some research. They also stated that we need a new monitor for the server CPU.

Gosen reminded us of the March BOR times and dates: March 12 - 2:00 to 5:00 and 6:00 to 9:00, and March 13 from 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 4:00.

Draves will complete and submit the questionnaire for the insurance policy renewal and request an invoice for approval at the April meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

B. Page N. Water Rd., The Board is doing a great job of running the township.

COMMITTEE AND APPOINTMENT REPORTS:

Assessor - Brent Rifenbark no report.

Code Authority – Jim Sperling Permits issued for Edenville Township in February were 1 water; 4 electrical, 1 mechanical, 2 plumbing, and 1 building. The next Code Authority meeting is March 22, 5:00 p.m. at the County Building.

Fire Department Report - Roger Dufresne: There were six runs for February; 5 medical and 1 lift assist. Chief Dufresne brought maps showing what areas of the Township would be affected if there was ever a dam failure. He is hosting a meeting Tuesday night at the Fire Department (Station 1) with the emergency services director and around 20 other people to discuss flooding awareness.

Fire Department Grant Committee Update – Craig Gosen reported that, since the last meeting, we were awarded a grant in the amount of \$185,000 from the Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation and the Kepler Foundation has committed \$50,000. This is in addition to the \$100,000 previously awarded by the Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation. We have three more

Grant Applications going out soon. Gosen thanked Schultz for her interaction with Mr. Kepler and obtaining his support for the Fire Department Project and the Grant process.

Next steps are to finalize drawings and a company to do the construction. We need to have everything in place by spring 2019 so we can begin construction.

Planning Commission – Linda Schultz: M. Haydanek is reviewing the 5-year Plan and will distribute it to the Planning Commission members for review at their April meeting.

Gosen mentioned that the boat launch on Water Rd. is currently zoned R-1 and asked if the planning commission would consider making it a commercial property in the Master Plan. There was also discussion to consider making all lake front property R-1.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Jim Sperling had nothing to report.

Water District No. 1 - Bill Page – WD#1 has 4,600 connections. They hired a new employee part time employee and are very pleased with her. In general, morale is good, the truck purchase is close to completion, employees are motivated, and customers are happy.

OLD BUSINESS:

Water Road update – Gosen reported that the bank is eroded so badly they'll likely need to reinforce it all the way down to the water to support the equipment needed to complete the project.

Gosen gave an update on the Edenville Dam.

NEW BUSINESS:

QuickBooks Pro Plus 2015 that we are currently using will become obsolete on May 31. Carey and Draves have begun researching and planning for the purchase of, and transition to the 2018 version. They will have an update for the April meeting.

Carey motioned to adjourn, Schultz seconded and after a voice vote the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Lydia Draves
Clerk, Edenville Township