Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

4-Jan-18 meeting called to order by Supervisor Fromhart at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance at Bridgewater Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, Manchester, MI.
Present: Trustee Fromhart; Trustee Oliver; Trustee McQueer; Trustee Wharam Absent: Trustee Faust
Citizen attendance: 5

II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- Grant Howard thanked the board for sending out the letter
- Dr. Samuels would like an extension to cleaning up the property

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• Motion to approve the 7-Dec-17 special-meeting minutes as amended – Ms. McQueer; support – Mr. Oliver; Vote – unanimous

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA

• Motion to approve the agenda as amended – Mr. Oliver; support – Mr. Wharam; Vote – unanimous

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Amendment to Mineral Extraction Ordinance No. 59 – Approve by Roll Call Vote

- Motion to approve the Amendment to Ordinance 59 Ms. Fromhart; support Ms. McQueer
 - Trustee Faust absent; Trustee Fromhart YES; Trustee Oliver YES; Trustee McQueer YES; Trustee Wharam – YES;
- Vote unanimous
- The clerk will publish the amendment

B. Board Appointments

• Supervisor Fromhart moves to nominate Ms. McQueer to PC 20-Nov-20 – Ms. Fromhart; support - Mr. Oliver

Trustee Faust – absent; Trustee Fromhart - YES; Trustee Oliver - YES; Trustee McQueer - abstain; Trustee Wharam – YES;

C. Junk Ordinance Enforcement

- Ms. McQueer explained to process of a civil infraction
- Dr. Samuels asked that the citation be delayed 1 week
- Motion to support Zoning Administrator in issuing citation per December Zoning Administrator report Ms. McQueer; support Ms. Fromhart; Vote unanimous

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Financials, Approve Disbursements from 1-Dec-17 through 31-Dec-17

- Motion to amend public works; road improvements budget to \$54,500 (a \$4000 increase) Mr. Oliver; support Mr. Wharam; Vote unanimous
- Motion to approve disbursements of \$12,638.26 for general operations and \$9,389.98 for sewer operations (\$176.25 in sewer debt retirement interest) plus a January pre-payment of \$424.72 for a total of \$22,452.96 Mr. Oliver; support Ms. Fromhart; Vote unanimous

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- B. Board of Review Guidelines for Poverty/Hardship Exemptions Resolution
 - Motion to set asset cap at \$750,000. Ms. Fromhart; support Mr. Oliver; Vote unanimous
 - Trustee Faust absent; Trustee Fromhart YES; Trustee Oliver YES; Trustee McQueer YES; Trustee Wharam YES;

C. Hunting on Township Property

• Motion to not allow hunting on township property – Mr. Oliver; support – Ms. McQueer; Vote – unanimous

VII. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Public Safety Report

- The sheriff's office report was received and is on record
- B. Supervisor's Report
 - Internet survey; >140 responses; most positive to do study
 - Board of Review meeting was 2-Dec-17
 - No update on soil erosion
 - MEL must be signed by board; license needs to be updated; Ms. Fromhart will handle

C. Assessor's Report

- The Ms. Rider submitted a written report to the board and it is on record
- D. Clerk's Report
 - Elections audit by state overall went well
 - Bill cut off date is the 25th
 - Motion to change payday to last day of month Mr. Wharam; support Mr. Oliver; Vote unanimous
 - Follow up inspections at Vershum farms 8-May-18 by MI Department of Agriculture & Rural Development
- E. Treasurer's Report
 - The Ms. McQueer submitted a written report to the board and it is on record
- F. Trustees' Report
 - Trustee Faust:
 - Nothing
 - Trustee Oliver:
 - Nothing
- G. Zoning Administrator's Report
 - Mr. Nanney submitted a written report to the board and it is on record
- H. Planning Commission
 - Meeting minutes are on record
- I. Farmland Preservation Board Report
 - The Farmland Preservation Board submitted a written report to the board and it is on record

VIII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

• None

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Fromhart adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.