

## Bridgewater Township Board of Trustees Minutes

### I. CALL TO ORDER

6-Aug-20 meeting called to order by Supervisor Fromhart at 7:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance at Bridgewater Township Hall, 10990 Clinton Road, Manchester, MI.

Present: Trustee Faust; Trustee Fromhart; Trustee McQueer; Trustee Oliver; Trustee Wharam

Absent: N/A

Citizen attendance: 8

### II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- Kevin Cole; will give presentation on solar projects at next planning commission

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Motion to approve the previous meeting minutes as presented – Ms. Fromhart; support – Mr. Faust; vote – unanimous

### IV. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA

- Motion to approve the agenda as presented – Ms. Fromhart; support – Mr. Faust; vote – unanimous

### V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Gerken Materials 2019 Annual Report & Inspection – Mining Review

- Brought in proof of insurance and surety bonds

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Claims Listing

- Motion to approve disbursements of \$9,173.01 for general operations and \$6,341.15 for sewer operations; total expenditure of \$15,514.16 for the month of June – Mr. Wharam; support – Ms. Fromhart; vote – unanimous
- Motion to approve disbursements of \$18,811.68 for general operations and \$15,816.74 for sewer operations; total expenditure of \$34,628.42 for the month of July – Mr. Wharam; support – Ms. Fromhart; vote – unanimous

B. Robinson's Zoning Ordinance Enforcement Dispute – Traci Robinson

- Ms. Robinson described the situation (detailed in board packet) saying that they do not store more than needed for personal use
- Mr. Nanney stated that he wanted to clear the air regarding his enforcement
- Zoning ordinance is very specific about landscaping businesses
- Mr. Nanney is comfortable with just pictures for the inspection
- Activity must be kept at a residential level
- A home operation does not allow employees to come onto the property
- Mr. Nanney is concerned about the legal ramifications of a use variance of allowing a SLU on 2.5 acres
- Mr. Nanney will contact Attorney Lucas regarding use variance for Special Land Use
- Mr. Nanney will send what activity boundaries are to Ms. Robinson

C. Hansen Farmland Trust Property Tax Appeal Settlement Request – Aaron Enzer

- Mr. Enzer was not present
- Assessor Rider described the order of events
- Mr. Enzer only supplied proposal for the cost of the new building
- Ms. Rider would like to see invoices and insurance to show the true value of the new building

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### D. RD Kleinschmidt Sewer Barn Roof and Insulation Proposals

- Ms. Fromhart filed insurance claim for both
- Motion to approve proposal of \$4,485 for repair of the hail damaged sewer plant roof – Mr. Wharam; Mr. Faust - support; vote – unanimous
- Motion to approve proposal of \$2,300 for repair of the hail damaged sewer plant insulation – Mr. Faust; Mr. Oliver - support; vote – unanimous

### E. Cellular Hotspot for Township Hall

- Barb Fuller explained that there is a grant for cellular service for 7-8 townships in Washtenaw county
- People could pull into township parking lot to connect to free Wi Fi
- There is no obligation
- The county will help with installation contacts
- The county will provide up to:
  - \$1,000 for the purchase of equipment
  - \$600 for a one-year contract for cellular service
  - \$500 for the installation of the cellular hotspot
- Motion to approve resolution accepting grant funding for back to school cellular hotspots from the Washtenaw county broadband task force– Ms. McQueer; support – Mr. Oliver
- Roll call vote:
  - Trustee Faust – yes
  - Trustee Oliver - yes
  - Trustee Fromhart – yes
  - Trustee Wharam - yes
  - Trustee McQueer – yes

## VII. REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

### A. Public Safety Report

- A written report from the sheriff is included in the board packet

### B. Supervisor's Report

- See board packet
  - Met with Gerken Materials re: Bartlett Rd

### C. Assessor's Report

- No report was received from Ms. Rider

### D. Clerk's Report

- Over 425 AV ballots sent out; 539 ballots voted
- State supplies did not arrive
- Mi Liquor Control – Bridgewater General Store
- EGLE – Wetland
- Pay checks are late

### E. Treasurer's Report

- Collecting taxes
- Setting up clean-up day for Saturday 3-Oct-20
- Revenue sharing decrease of about \$4000

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### F. Trustees' Report

- Trustee Faust
  - Tom Peltcs wants to be notified by township
- Trustee Oliver
  - Nothing

### G. Zoning Administrator's Report

- A written report from Mr. Nanney is included in the board packet

### H. Broadband Task Force Report

- The minutes are in the board packet

### I. Planning Commission

- There was no Planning Commission meeting in June or July due to COVID-19
  - Mr. Horney spoke regarding Gerken and Bartlett Rd.
  - Mr. Horney spoke regarding solar farms and zoning / usage
- The August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting will be a combination of in person and electronic
- Mr. Horney spoke about Bartlett Rd.
- Mr. Horney spoke about Mr. Cole's attendance at the next Planning Commission meeting

### J. Farmland Preservation Board Report

- There was no meeting in July due to COVID-19

## VIII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

- None

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

- Ms. Fromhart adjourned the meeting at 9:34 p.m.