

HIAWATHA TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 19, 2020

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Supervisor G. Baker at 7:00 p.m. All board members present. Meeting held on Zoom per MDHHS emergency order.

2. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by K. Matchinski, supported by J. Beckman to approve the Minutes of the October 15, 2020 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Treasurer's Report:

General Fund Checking:	\$249,505.00
Insured Cash Sweep Acct	49,612.41
Community Center Checking	8,063.42
Cemetery Fund Checking	15,025.41
General Fund CDs	530,141.00
CD Cemetery	35,609.00

Motion by R. Larson, supported by K. Matchinski to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Payment of Bills:

Motion by S. Matchinski, supported by J. Beckman to pay the October bills. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Agenda

a. Old Business:

b. New Business:

1. Election inspector hazard pay

Motion by K. Matchinski, supported by R. Larson to pay the November election workers a \$100 hazard pay bonus for working during a pandemic. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Animal shelter donation

Motion by J. Beckman, supported by S. Matchinski to donate \$400 in pet supplies to the Eva Burrell Animal Shelter. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Assessor's Report: Assessor not present. Report read by K. Matchinski: Caught up on all deeds sent over from Schoolcraft Equalization and sent them the final database export for the upcoming winter bills. Resolved all issues from phone calls and emails. Work continues on our land value and ECF studies. Also continuing to enter information for individual parcels in the database.

As of now, the December Board of Review will be held on December 15th at 6 pm at the Hiawatha Township Hall. If the latest 3-week restriction on indoor public meetings is extended, we will discuss with the board members how we can get each of them the necessary paperwork to sign, one at a time, without holding the meeting and instead allowing for email or virtual meetings if they have questions on any particular issue.

- 7. Fire Report:** Four calls this month, three for power lines and one for car/deer accident. Corey Barr reported that the PPE was put out for bids with a deadline of December 12.
- 8. Commissioner's Report:** Corey Barr reported that a new Zoning Administrator and a new Building Inspector were hired. He said the Commissioners will need to come up with a new plan of action since the jail proposal failed.
- 9. Public Comment:** Doris Norman commented that the Cemetery needs new landscaping since the trees were cut and that the rubble should be cleaned up and hauled away. Lisa Spencer said the Board should install landscaping and should organize a Cemetery Landscaping Committee. Gary Demers asked when the Board of Review would be sworn in. Judy Lucas would like a streetlight added on Dawson Road as a safety feature.
- 10. Other Business from the Board:** G. Baker spoke with Steve Wood re: HCC contract. Mr. Wood requested that he be given until the end of the month to finish the contract. G. Baker reported that Jim Spencer will do the driveway on the Dodge Lake lots in the spring. The permits for the driveway have been approved. The Special Use permit application is in the hands of the Zoning Administrator.

Motion by S. Matchinski, supported by K. Matchinski to have a sign made for the Township lots on Dodge Lake with any rules/restrictions to be added later if needed. Ayes: G. Baker, K. Matchinski, S. Matchinski Nays: J. Beckman, R. Larson. Motion carried.

Motion by G. Baker, supported by K. Matchinski to reappoint all current Board of Review members and alternates. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by G. Baker, supported by J. Beckman to pay \$911.36 to AJF Construction to order fire doors for the HCC. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Motion to Adjourn:

Motion by G. Baker, supported by K. Matchinski to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Time of adjournment 7:40 p.m.

PROPOSED