

Newfield Township Board Meeting

3890 198th Ave.

Hesperia, MI 49421

October 17, 2017, 7:00 p.m.

Joan David called the meeting to order. The pledge was stated. A roll call of members present were John Clark, Tami Ballantyne, Joan David, Rick Roberson and Nancy Conley.

Public Comments:

None

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve the agenda eliminating (F). Rick Roberson seconded. Motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve the public hearing minutes from Sept 19, 2017, to increase property taxes for the 2017 winter taxes. John Clark seconded it. Motion carried

Rick Roberson made a motion to approve the September monthly meeting minutes. John Clark seconded it. Motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve the following bills, checks #12939-12965 including two EFTS for a total of \$256,588.09. John Clark seconded it. Motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne gave the treasurers report. She shows \$26,140.56 in deposits for the month of September, along with \$169,237.08 in bills for a total of cash available of \$476,607.73.

Supervisor Report:

Joan received an invitation to a dinner/meeting for the Oceana County Road Commission to be held at the Double J Ranch on November 9, 2017. We have 6 slots available for our township. Nancy Conley, Joan David, and Tami Ballantyne along with their spouses will be attending.

Correspondence:

Joan read a Thank You note from Ed and Betty Dean showing their appreciation for all the work done on the Loop Road Project.

Tami received a letter from 3R Education, formally Newaygo County Recycling, concerning their direction for the future.

Unfinished Business:

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing/ Information Meeting on the Hazmat Ordinance, for 6:45 here at the Township Hall on November 21 2017. This will be prior to our regular monthly meeting. Joan David seconded it. Motion carried.

After board discussion we opted to postpone the decision to vote on the Marijuana Option until after the Dec. 7, 2017 County MTA meeting. This is scheduled to be on the agenda for that meeting. It will be addressed at our December 19, 2017 monthly board meeting.

Joan David made a motion for Dennis David to engineer the repair of the boat launches on Hi-Tower and Campbell Lakes. Dennis will contact Mike Mayo on gravel needed. Dennis will do the work. Tami Ballantyne seconded it. Motion carried.

New Business:

Joan David made a motion to accept Bernice Salisburys resignation from the townships Board of Review. John Clark seconded it. Motion carried. Along with this opening Gale Eitniears term on The Planning Commission will come up. Joan David will be working to fill these positions.

Reports:

Parks – We left the electricity on at Ox Bow over the summer with no increase in electric bills. Dennis will cut it each year on Dec.1 and turn it on April 1st of each year.

Planning Commission-The Planning Commission suggested to the Township Board that we hold a Public Hearing to accept the new ordinances in the Zoning manuals. Jay would like to see the notices also placed in the Hi Lites along with the Oceana Herald. Nancy will check with Becky in Hart and MTA on the regulations on publishing.

The Planning Commission is looking at a Solar Farm Ordinances, along with Tiny Houses and the minimum of square footage needed and the amount of acres needed for of land splits for Ag.#1.

Roads- Two roads to be considered for 2018 road work are Warren Road and Riverview Drive.

Zoning- Steve Micklin handed out his monthly report. He then explained the zoning that was reworked on the Rumsey farm split.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion, seconded by John Clark to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:18p.m.

Nancy L. Conley

Newfield Township Clerk