

MACKINAW TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 20, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Mackinaw Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Falor at 5 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Board members present: Falor, Keck, Williams, Brew, Closs.

Also present: Auditor Richard Mahlmeister, Attorney Tim MacArthur, Chris Brown, Joe Lavender, Roger Moore, Rocky Beydoun, Mike Williams, Nan Keck, Maria Munns.

Agenda corrected to include #3 Break-In under New Business and Correspondence after Financial Reports.

Brew made the motion to approve the amended agenda, supported by Williams. Motion carried with Aye Vote. Brew made the motion to accept the September 15, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Closs. Motion carried.

Attorney Tim MacArthur chose to wait until Roger Moore arrived to present his report. The Assessor was also delayed.

Richard Mahlmeister presented the Independent Auditors Report, noting that it was a good audit. He recommended that we increase the reserve in our fund balance to cover a minimum of 6-9 months of expenses.

Tim MacArthur was advised that the previously approved Fire Service Agreement has been redrafted by the Village with some significant changes. Brew made the motion to authorize Attorney MacArthur to send a letter to the Village attorneys stating the discrepancies in the proposal they returned to us, and directing them back to the agreement that was approved by the townships. Supported by Closs and passed with an Aye vote.

Nan Keck submitted her letter of resignation as Deputy Clerk. Maria Munns has been appointed Deputy and is in training for the Clerk position when Jack Keck retires by the end of the year. Nan and Jack need recognition and a big Thank You for doing such a great job and carrying the Township all these years!

Joe Lavender presented the new Policy of Public Viewing of Assessor Records. Brew made the motion to accept the Public Records Policy with the inclusion of stating that it is for Accessing. This was seconded by Williams and passed with an Aye vote.

Resort owner, Rocky Beydoun, requested that we introduce a noise ordinance. He voiced his complaint of excessive noise from a loud chainsaw that was operated throughout the summer as well as allegations of zoning and permit violations. This has adversely affected Mr. Beydoun's business. Falor will look into this.

Straits Janitorial has been busy ripping up linoleum, moving equipment and drying out the wet floors after the float in the toilet backed up the septic and overflowed into the office. Insurance claims have been filed and the goal is to have everything back in order by November 3rd elections.

Rocky Beydoun offered to install a Water-Temperature sensor, which would send an alert to phones. Brew made the motion to allow Rocky Beydoun to install the sensor, supported by Keck. Motion carried with an Aye vote.

Straits Area Glass is replacing the broken window incurred during the break-in this Monday. This was reported to the police.

Treasurers Report accepted as presented. Warrant list for September accepted on motion by Brew, seconded by Closs. Roll call vote: Aye: Williams, Keck, Brew, Closs, Falor.

Correspondence:

- 1: State Representative, Lee Chatfield, sent a note of appreciation and offering his services.
- 2: GPD group is installing a T-Mobile antenna on the tower in the Village.
- 3: The DNR returned the signed agreement for the sign and bench on the trail. File closed
- 4: Public Interest Legal Foundation sent a request for information to local clerks whose registration records show a higher number of voters than census records. Tim MacArthur advised to handle this as a FOIA request.

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We do not have any roads that would benefit from the Federal TIP fund monies.

Jack and Nan Keck will spearhead the Recreation Plan.

Meeting adjourned by the call of the chair at 6:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Munns
Deputy Clerk