

## **MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 12, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Onondaga Township Board was called to order on January 12, 2017 at 7:30 PM. The location for this meeting was 4756 Baldwin St. Onondaga, MI. We said the pledge and had a moment of silence.

Present were Trustee Mary Jane Hector, Treasurer Rhiannon Schindewolf-DeShais, Supervisor Steven Dwight, Clerk Diane Johnson, and Trustee Jim Tow. Present also were 17 citizens

### **SET AND/OR AMEND THE AGENDA**

Diane asked to have Masterplan moved up to resolutions and called, Resolution to Adopt the Onondaga Township Master Plan. Rhiannon made a motion to approve this change. Jim seconded. All Ayes. Steve added Skull internment to any other business on the agenda. Rhiannon made a motion to approve this change. Jim seconded. All ayes

### **PUBLIC COMMENT AND/OR INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

Public comment started at 7:49 and ended at 7:50.

**New Business # 1** was moved up. KARL DRAKE Karl Drake explained the audit report and the process. Rhiannon discussed asking for a millage. Rhiannon discussed adding a millage.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

The Fire Chief discussed his report.

### **TREASURER**

Report submitted. The ending balance on December 31 was \$10,027.81. She also mentioned a benefit for John Myers. Jim questioned why the people have to go to Eaton Rapids rather than Leslie to pay taxes at the Independent bank. Rhiannon explained the people from Eaton Rapids brought this opportunity to her.

### **PLANNING COMMISSION**

Jim commented on the good job Richard has done as chairperson.

### **CLERK**

Diane discussed having a packet available on the Thursday prior to the board meeting. She asked to have reports given to her the Monday before that day so they can be included in the packet. She also asked board members to bring their packets with them to the meeting. Diane also mentioned there have been many problems with quick books lately but will do her best to get W2s out on time. Diane also discussed the school contracts will need signed again.

### **ZONING ENFORCMENT**

Rodger mentioned he had called the Verizon Tower people, he then read the report he submitted. He also mentioned Baseline Road seemed to be getting cleaned up.

## **PARKS**

No report

## **SUPERVISOR**

Steve told of a meeting he and the fire chief will attend. In February he will also be attending a meeting on the water trail.

## **TRUSTEES**

Mary Jane asked if Steve had gotten the answers to questions he gave the attorney. He has. She will get with him later.

## **PETITIONS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution to Adopt the Onondaga Township Master Plan; Steve read the resolution. Mary Jane made a motion to adopt this resolution. Rhiannon seconded. Hector-yes, Schindewolf-DeShais-Yes, Tow-Yes, Johnson-Yes, Dwight-Yes.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Steve wanted the word wildlife changed to wildland in the Emergency Services report. Jim made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Rhiannon seconded. All Ayes

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Mary Jane made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Jim seconded. All ayes

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS;**

1. BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS; Steve moved to appoint Kay Bodell, Warren Noble and Ervin Wagner to the Board of Review. Diane seconded. All ayes. He also mentioned a training coming up on Feb 28<sup>th</sup> for the Board of Review. Steve made a motion to send them to this training. Jim seconded. All ayes.

## **NEW BUSINESS;**

- 2 RUSS HICKS; Mr. Hicks explained what the Grand River Trail is going to include and the benefits it could have for our community. He also mentioned he would like townships to donate for this.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Skull Internment; Steve mentioned the board will need to decide on where we want this interred. Diane suggested the other half of the half lot we sold. This was agreed upon.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Steve made a motion to adjourn. Jim seconded. All ayes, meeting adjourned at 8:54pm.

Minutes written and submitted by  
Diane Johnson,  
Onondaga Township Clerk