Concord Township Board Minutes

The Concord Township Board met in the Meeting Room at the Concord Township Office May 14, 2018 at 7:30 P.M.

Members present: Supervisor Al Cavasin, Treasurer Robert Jacokes, Deputy Clerk Melissa Brandell, Trustees David Miller and Jim Bush

Absent: Clerk Judy Clark

Also Present: Larry Jacobson, Jackson County Deputy, Ken Wyatt, Aaron Losey, Leland Prebble, and Alan Tompkins County Commissioner.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Cavasin at 7:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance was honored.

Brandell presented the board with the April 9, 2018 Concord Township Board minutes for approval.

Minutes were not approved waiting for corrections.

Public Comment:

Ken Wyatt wanted to know where all of the Planning Commission members were. He also asked Dave Miller about the MSA360 Transport project at the corner of M60 and North Concord Road. Miller reported that they are still working on it. Leland Prebble ask if the Township would contribute to the July 4th Fireworks at Swains Lake. Supervisor Cavasin told him that we could not contribute and that he might want to check with the Village and have one big fireworks Concord Classic weekend at the Mill Pond. Prebble is running for County Commission and would like Concord Township support.

Commissioner Tompkins reported that there will be a millage on the ballot for Parks and an Animal Control Officer. Also reported that he didn't know how much longer the County would be contributing 30% for road projects. Commissioner Tompkins also was looking for support from Concord Township in making the Convention Center larger with a baseball field at the Fairgrounds. After some discussion it was decided that the Concord Township Board is not in favor of increasing taxes to help support that project. Cavasin asked Tompkins if another Commissioner could come to our meetings in his absence and the answer was yes.

Brandell presented the Board with the April 2018 bills in the amount of \$10,043.03. Jacokes made a motion to accept the bills as submitted. Bush supported. Motion carried.

Reports:

Jacokes gave the financial condition of the township, the revenues and expenditures for the month of April 2018.

Only paper Fire Report for April due to the fact that Miller was absent at the Fire Board Meeting and Clark was absent for the Board Meeting.

Deputy Larry Jacobson gave the Police report. Concord area has been a haven of vehicle/deer crashes with over 20 in March and April. At one time there was 11 deer carcasses along the stretch of M-60 between Parsons Road & PS Mart. Focus will be on blight and ordinance violations.

Jim Bush gave the Planning Commission report. Public meeting was held on May 3, 2018 on the Renewable Wind Energy Ordinance 30.2. Ordinance 30.1 had to be amended to strike 30.1.3.6 which refers to homeowners being exempt from taxes on PV Solar Panels.

Township is still planning on working with the Village on the Master Plan. Also changed the Planning Commission by-laws 3.5 to read as follows: Regular attendance is viewed to be an important responsibility of Commissioners. Habitual absenteeism may result in loss of membership of the Commission at the discretion of a majority of the Board. A replacement Commissioner shall be appointed by the Township Supervisor in a manner consistent with Public Act 168, of 1959, as amended.

Cavasin made a motion to accept the reports as presented. Bush supported. Motion carried.

Unfinished business:

None

New Business:

First Right of Refusal Resolution for property at Bath Mills and Albion Road. After some discussion there was a roll call vote:

Yeas: Bush, Jacokes, Miller & Cavasin

Nays: None

Holding off on increasing inspector fees until more information is gathered from JMS Inspections (Joe Smith).

Board Member Comments:

Miller asked if anyone was living in the trailer on S. Parma Road. Jacokes reminded the Board that the June meeting will be at 7:00 pm because of the Public Budget Hearing.

Supervisor Comments:

Jacobson & Cavasin made contact with Pat Clark on blight and family in trailer. Township has little recourse without civil infraction ordinance.

Community Cleanup Day was a flop. 19 trucks short of breaking even. Everyone thanked the Township for doing it. There wasn't much scrap metal either. Weather might have been a contributing factor.

Road funding with Jackson County Department of Transportation. Chris Bolt wants to schedule 2 meetings here.

Cavasin & Larry Jacobson will be going to court on June 1, 2018 on the Marquis Kennel.

Ordinances are now being sent to Region 2 before going to the Board for approval.

Cavasin has one more meeting with Columbia Township regarding the Commercial Corridor.

Civil Infraction Letter will be discussed at the June meeting.

Cavasin made a motion to adjourn. Miller supported. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 P.M.

Judy Clark, Concord Township Clerk

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(From notes taken by Deputy Clerk, Melissa Brandell)

Supervisor Al Cavasin: