Concord Township Board Minutes

The Concord Township Board met in the Meeting Room at the Concord Township Office September 11, 2017 at 7:30 P.M.

Members present: Supervisor Al Cavasin, Clerk Judy Clark, Treasurer Robert Jacokes, Trustees David Miller and Jim Bush

Absent: None

Also Present: Naomi Carr, Orien Wetzel, Bob Schleede, Larry Jacobson, Jackson County Deputy, Ken Wyatt, and Alan Tompkins, County Commissioner.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was honored.

Clark presented the board with the August 14, 2017 Concord Township Board minutes for approval.

Bush made a motion to accept the minutes, Miller supported. Motion carried.

Clark presented the Board with the August bills in the amount of \$15,328.23. Clark made a motion to accept the bills as submitted. Miller supported. Motion carried.

Reports:

Jacokes gave the financial condition of the township, the revenues and expenditures for the month of August 2017.

Fire report was given by Trustee Miller. Financial report showed a balance of \$113,215.63 in the fire fund on August 31, 2017. There were 23 total calls in July with a payroll of \$2,240.75. Grant for the 17 Air Packs is still in the running. Rescue has new tires. Chief Mosher also reported that the electrical issue should be resolved in the next day or two.

Deputy Larry Jacobson gave the Police report. Not much going on other than young children acting up and fighting at the home football games. Larry talked to the school about some of the employees of the school handling this issue. Also honor system cans for vegetable etc. are being robbed of the little bit of money that are in them. He also reminded us the car/deer season is upon us. If we know of anyone that wants the deer to let him know so that he can call them.

Orien Wetzel, Planning Commission Chair gave the Planning Commission report. Due to the resignation of 3 planning commission members, there was as election with Orien Wetzel elected as Chairman and Robert Schleede elected as Secretary. They approved the zoning requests for Jon Hynson and MSA Three Sixty Transport, LLC to go to the Township Board for approval. Assigned a committee to work on the Marijuana Ordinance and also a committee to work on definitions for the Burning Ordinance.

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

Unfinished business:

None

New Business:

Supervisor Cavasin reported that he would like to appoint Dr. Candy McCorkle to the Planning Commission. She is in administration at Alma College, on the Concord School Board and other various committees in the community. He thought she would be a great

candidate for our Planning Commission. Cavasin made a motion to appoint her, Miller supported. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Alan Tompkins, Jackson County Commissioner gave an update at the County level. Orien Wetzel questioned the property on M-60 that we thought was zoned Agricultural and the Jackson County GIS has it zoned as Commercial. Supervisor Cavasin we would get to the bottom of this issue and if it is already zoned Commercial, then we will reimburse Kevin Hoffman, MSA Three Sixty Transport, LLC for his rezoning fee of \$300.00. Orien also talked about the training that he attended in Kalamazoo. Learned some good information on the Marijuana licensing that will be coming up in December. He also had some questions on the blight that is happening on Elm Row Road where the campers and tents are located. Bob Schleede also commented on lessons learned during the training session in Kalamazoo. Naomi Carr reported that the current special land use permit for Carr Brothers approved them to put an underground culvert under Hutchisson Road. They will be starting this project on September 25, 2017 and should be completed by October 2, 2017. They will notify the School of the road closing.

Board Member Comments:

Clerk Clark read a letter of resignation from Sheryll Dishaw resigning as Deputy Clerk and Election Inspector. She also reported that she had interviewed Melissa Brandell, who has formerly worked for Spring Arbor Township and has all the training needed to be a Deputy Clerk. Clark reported that we now are paying Deputy Clerk \$10.00 per hour and didn't think she could find anybody to work for that. Clark made a motion to increase the pay to \$12.00 per hour. Miller supported. Motion carried. Now waiting for Melissa to accept the position.

Supervisor Comments:

Cavasin made a motion to accept the rezoning of Jon Hynson's property as recommended by the Planning Commission. Jacokes supported. Motion carried.

Cavasin made a motion to accept the rezoning of MSA Three Sixty Transport on M-60 as recommended by the Planning Commission. Bush supported. Motion carried.

Cavasin also reported that he was going to set up a meeting about the Marijuana issue asking the Jackson County Sheriff Office, State Police, Prosecutor and MTA Representative to attend to answer questions and to educate the public. It will be held at the Community Center.

With no other business at hand, Bush made a motion to adjourn. Jacokes supported. Motion carried.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Judy Clark, Concord Township Clerk

9/11/2017

Supervisor Al Cavasin.