

Johnstown Township Minutes

13641 South M-37 Highway. Battle Creek Michigan 49017

Regular Board Meeting – October 10, 2018 – 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Supervisor Barbara Earl, Clerk Sheri Babcock, Treasurer Karmen Nickerson
Trustee Deana Powell, Trustee Jeff Warren

Absent: None

Visitors: Ten (10)

Agenda: A motion was made by Powell to approve the Agenda as presented. Seconded by Warren.
All Ayes. Motion carried.

Public Comments: (3 minutes per person):

- A resident provided historical information that the Grange was #127.
- A resident was interested in knowing why we did not have a place to recycle plastic

Minutes:

A motion was made by Powell to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2018 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Seconded by Warren. All Ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Powell to approve the minutes of the Special Election Commission meeting of October 1, 2018. Seconded by Warren. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Karmen Nickerson

A motion was made by Powell to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Warren. All ayes. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report – Sheri Babcock

- Election Update – high volume of AV ballot requests;
- Preliminary and Public Test of election equipment has been completed.

Assessors Report – Joyce Foondle

- Building permits – deferred until next month
- No land divisions
- Michigan Tax Tribunal – nothing new to report
- Fine Lake Party Store was sold. Apartments nearby the Fine Lake Store also sold.
- Bristol Lake Weed – Special Assessment – in process. Approximately 43% of the total land owners have signed the petitions. Five properties with questions need to be resolved. More information to be discussed under "Old Business";

Fire Report – Pete Dunn

- 27 incidents in September for a total of 238 for 2018
- 22 MFS;
- Training: Sept. 9 Pump Training; Sept 23 MFR;
- Personnel Changes: None
- Current membership: 18 active members, 3 probationary, 1 cadet
- Pancake Breakfast – good attendance, average net fundraising;
- Baltimore Township Supervisor, Chad VanSyckle, ask Johnstown Fire to consider providing partial township coverage;

Next Quarterly Meeting of the Township Board/Fire Dept. – January 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Report – Commissioner Heather Wing

- Barry County Budget Process;
- Barry County Property Study;
- Crooked Lake continued flooding issues;
- Many County board positions are available;
- Assyria Township Hall renovations are now completed;

Old Business:

Bristol Lake Special Assessment for Weed Control:

A special meeting was held just prior to this board meeting. Residents had many questions. Petition results show that the percentage of land owners in favor are too few. Additional signatures will be required to reconsider moving forward with this special assessment process.

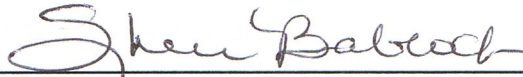
New Business - None

Additional Citizen's Comments: None

Pay Bills: A motion was made by Warren to pay the bills in the amount of \$38,257.53 as presented. Seconded by Powell. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Powell to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Seconded by Warren. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Attested to by:
Barbara Earl, Supervisor


Sheri Babcock, Clerk

Next Quarterly Board/Fire Meeting is January 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

General Election – November 6, 2018

Next Regular Board Meeting: November 14, 2018