

Jonesfield Township Board Minutes

August 17, 2020

Supervisor Larry Tibbits called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT: Tibbits, Nock, Parker, Glazier, and Stanley

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Jim Gray – Zoning Administrator, Richard Bluemer – Planning Commission Chair, Ruth Coppens – Zoning Board Chair, Larry Fleming – Jonesfield Township Assessor, Stanley Brown, and Joe Bennett – Jonesfield Township residents.

PERMITS: Electrical Permit 13-20-J (Heinrich), Mechanical Permit 11-20-J (Dungey), Mechanical Permit 12-20-J (White), Electrical Permit 10-20-J (Palmer), Electrical Permit 9-20-J (Card).

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Public Comment – None.
- III. Addition to Agenda – None.
- IV. Approval of minutes from July 20, 2020 Board Meeting – Motion made by Trustee Nock to accept meeting minutes. Second by Trustee Glazier. Carried.
- V. Reports:
 - a. Treasurer – General Fund - \$94,510.41, Trash Fund - \$57,294.22, Police Fund - \$61,965.02, Water Fund - \$195,052.46, and Wind Energy Fund - \$132,449.50.
 - b. Police – Jacob Polzen is the new officer to be covering the Village of Merrill/Jonesfield Township. He is previously from the Saginaw County Sheriff's Office.
 - c. Zoning – Jim Gray announced that two letters were being mailed out today. One to resident Bennett and one to resident Jimenez.

- VI. Reports: Planning Commission, Waste Authority, Saga (GIS)
 - a. Planning Commission – Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 13, 2020.
 - b. Waste Authority – There was no meeting of the Waste Authority. With Supervisor Tibbits leaving the Supervisor position at the end of November we are going to need a replacement for Larry on the Waste Authority. Trustee Glazier offered to take Larry’s position on this Committee.
 - c. Saga (GIS) – There also needs to be a replacement for the Saga (GIS) with the departure of Supervisor Tibbits.

- VII. Informational Items
 - a. Primary Election – Marcia – Clerk Stanley formally thanked her election workers for an outstanding job during the election. Had a total of 503 ballots tabulated for the August election.
 - b. Quarterly Financial Report – Marcia – Clerk Stanley provided the board members with the financial numbers through the first quarter. Brief discussion followed.
 - c. New Township Board Effective Date November 20, 2020 @ 12:00 P.M.
 - d. DTE Special Use Permit Application Update – DTE submitted their special use permit application today, August 17, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Planning Commission will be setting date for public hearing. The application has been posted on the Jonesfield website for review. Timeline now begins with the application received. Discussion was held on how to handle the public hearing with the current COVID restraints. It was suggested to check with Mt Haley and Porter to see how they are going to handle their hearings.

- VIII. Discussion Items:
 - a. Roundtable for the Good of the Township – None.

- IX. Action Items:
 - a. Motion to pay bills – Treasurer Parker made motion to pay bills – General Fund - \$11,732.74, Police Fund - \$57.00, Trash Fund - \$4,538.89. Total bills equaling \$16,328.63. Second by Clerk Stanley. Carried.
 - b. Resolution to Establish Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Salary – A resolution was presented to the board by Clerk Stanley for approval. Resolution was seconded by Trustee Nock. Carried. Clerk Stanley held roll call vote. Ayes: Parker, Tibbits, Glazier, Nock, and Stanley. Nays: none.

- X. Extended Public Comment – Larry Fleming suggested that the Saga (GIS) representative for Jonesfield Township could be the same person as the representative from the Village of Merrill. Currently this representative is Tom Mayan.

- XI. Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, September 21, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

Motion made by Clerk Stanley to adjourn meeting at 7:50 p.m. Second by Trustee Nock.
Carried.

Signed,

Marcia J. Stanley
Jonesfield Township Clerk