

## Jonesfield Township Board Minutes

September 24, 2018

Supervisor Tibbits called the Public Hearing meeting of the Jonesfield Township Board to order at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: Tibbits, Nock, Buckley, Parker and Stanley

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Ryan Stockford-Saginaw County Deputy, Tracey Slodowski - Deputy Clerk, Larry Fleming – Assessor, Rochelle Siler and Lee Glazier – Jonesfield Township residents.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Public Hearing: Truth in Taxation – Larry Fleming explained the purpose of this hearing and reason for the calculations.
- III. Public Comments Concerning Public Hearing – None.
- IV. Budget Action by the Board – None.
- V. Close Public Hearing at 7:10 pm.

Jonesfield Township Regular Board Meeting opened at 7:10 pm.

PERMITS: Mechanical 13-18-J Electrical – Francetic

- VI. Public Comments –
  - Rochelle Siler voiced her concerns regarding the Wind Ordinance consistencies regarding setbacks. Four different types of setbacks are mentioned in ordinance. She also mentioned safety zone concerns and would like to see the board to step back and relook at the ordinance.
  - Lee Glazier – Also had comments regarding the Wind Ordinance. He feels that the ordinance is adequate and well written.
- VII. Additions to Agenda – None.

VIII. Approval of minutes from August 20, 2018 meeting – Trustee Buckley voiced his concern regarding the closing of the one year moratorium by the board when it was not presented to the board by the Planning Commission to be closed. Discussion followed regarding the proper procedure for closing the moratorium. Approval of the meeting minutes has been tabled at this time – Supervisor Tibbits will get clarification on the authority of the board to end the one year moratorium without the planning commission’s recommendation to end it.

IX. Reports:

- a) Treasurer – General Fund - \$109,379.26; Police Fund - \$66,917.69; Trash Fund - \$55,103.69 and Water Project Fund - \$154,288.92.
- b) Police – Deputy Stockford asked if there were any questions regarding his schedule that had been sent out to board. Deputy Stockford also mentioned the number of miles currently on the police vehicle (approaching 100,000 miles) and the condition of the tires on the police vehicle. Davis Auto has been contacted and approved the ordering of a new set of tires for the vehicle. Deputy Stockford also asked about the current standing of the Police Board – Is there one? Who is the chair? Discussion was held regarding the current position of the police board and the chairperson. Treasurer Parker volunteered to represent the township board on the police board as a result of Trustee Buckley stepping down from the police board.
- c) Reports from Commissions/Boards/Committees:
  - Planning Commission – Trustee Nock stated next Regular Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2018.
  - Police Board – None.
  - Waste Authority – None.
  - Saga (GIS) – Supervisor Tibbits attended recent meeting. GIS continues to add layers of information available to the search website.
  - Municipal Water – None

XI. Discussion Items:

- a) Intent to File Petition Receipt on September 5, 2018 from Sylvia Butcher and David Stevens from Mt Haley Township. Trustee Buckley asked about forming a sub-committee to review the pros & cons regarding Wind Ordinance. Discussion followed.
- b) Furnace and Air Conditioners Replacement Estimates – Supervisor Tibbits presented the estimates received from Fries Heating & Cooling and Dennis Richnak Heating & Cooling. Estimates were reviewed by board members. Motion made by Parker to accept Dennis Richnak’s proposal, to proceed with the furnace replacements, but to hold off on replacements of air conditioner until next fiscal year. Seconded by Nock. Carried.
- c) Hall Roof Evaluation and Repair from Herbert Roofing – Supervisor Tibbits presented estimates from Herbert Roofing and Thomas Brown & Sons Roofing. There is currently a couple of locations in the hall that there has been water dripping from the ceiling.

Tibbits met with roofing contractors and will be getting a couple more estimates for replacement of the roof. Discussion was held by board members regarding dollar amount and possible financing. Clerk Stanley to check with Mercantile Bank for loan rate and payment amounts. Possibly combine with existing bank loan for past hall improvements. Will report back to board at next meeting.

- d) Winter Snow Plowing Estimates – Supervisor Tibbits presented estimates from JAM Pavers, Jeremy McCluskey and Wolgast Construction, Joe Wolgast for snow removal for the hall parking lot and sidewalks. Estimates were reviewed by board members. Parker made motion to accept bid from JAM Pavers. Buckley seconded. Carried.
- e) New Chair Costs – Supervisor Tibbits presented estimates for replacing folding chairs for hall rentals. Several folding chairs have been ending up broken after rentals. The quality of the chairs that were ordered the last time are not as heavy duty as previous ones, so Tibbits did some research on different quality of steel construction of the chairs along with prices. It was approved by the board for Tibbits to order 12 new chairs of the heavier quality steel.
- f) Planning Commission Governance Issue – Trustee Buckley has concerns regarding the By-Laws for the Planning Commission. The question has been presented as to whether the Planning Commission’s work is acceptable without governing by-laws. Parker suggested getting copies of other local township’s planning commission’s by-laws to review. Planning Commission is scheduled to work on replacing by-laws at their scheduled October meeting.
- g) Overview of Statues and Regulations for the Board of Trustee Operation – Trustee Buckley asked if there was currently any statues and bylaws for the trustees. Discussion by the board followed.
- h) Roundtable for the good of the Township – Parker inquired about asking Mark Gath to fill the vacancy on the Police Board. Gath has inquired about participating on a township board or commission in the past. Discussion was made by board – agreed to have Parker contact Gath.

XII. Action Items:

- a) Motions and/or Further Hall Repair Research – Discussion was held with the board members regarding the amount of expense this hall incurs compared to the amount received from rentals.
- b) Motion to Pay Bills – General Fund - \$10,717.84, Police - \$530.97, Trash - \$3,979.68. Total of bills - \$15,228.49. Parker made motion to pay bills. Seconded by Nock. Carried.
- c) Other – None.

XIII. Extended Public Comments –

Lee Glazier voiced his opinion regarding forming a special committee to review wind ordinance. He feels that this would not go well. There is already a group out there looking to stop the ordinance all together. He also asked about the moratorium question previously discussed –

asked why not just let it expire? It was only for one year; which ends in October. He also feels that there is a lot of misunderstanding with the citizens regarding the wind ordinance. A lot of questions still being asked.

XIV. Next Meeting: Monday, October 15, 2018 @ 7:00 pm

XV. Adjournment - Motion made by Clerk Stanley to adjourn meeting at 9:50 pm. Second by Treasurer Parker. Carried.

Signed,

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Marcia J Stanley – Jonesfield Township Clerk