

Minutes for August 10, 2020 held by Standish Township Board

Standish Township

P.O. Box 472 Standish MI 48658

Bob North-Supervisor, Susan Kohn-Treasurer, Shara Klenk-Clerk, Bobbi Lynch-Trustee, Wayne Reetz-Trustee

Meeting called to order: by Mr. North, with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6pm.

Present: Sue Kohn, Robert North, Shara Klenk, Roberta Lynch **Absent:** Wayne Reetz

Bender is recording

Minutes reviewed: July 10th minutes. Motion made by Bobbi and supported by Sue

Agenda as presented: Motion to accept the agenda as presented Sue and supported by Bobbi.

Announcements: None at this time.

Committee or officers report:

Trustee: Bobbi has nothing to report Wayne is absent.

Zoning: See report. Land use permits and complaints.

Planning: Deb a couple of things were introduced at the first planning meeting. Bobbi has asked to have a dog ordinance in place in the Whites Beach subdivision. A dog has bit someone in the whites' beach area. Ryan Klenk attended his first meeting on the planning committee. He has been sworn in as a member of the planning commission. He will be following up with updating the website with some ordinances. Gary brought up that there are properties that are not in the township district? On the lake shore that are not subject to the fence ordinance. Recommend changes to the board once complete. Bender brought up that weeds in the ditches need to be addressed, but we do not have any jurisdiction of the ditches and if they are in the whites' beach area it is the property owners. Bobbi added that Ryan mentioned security systems for the inside and outside of the building.

Treasurer: Beginning balance \$1,367,267.25, Revenue of \$73,936.12, Expenses of \$52,077.99, Ending balance of \$1,389,125.38 and CD's totaling \$243,089.66.

Clerk: Need approval to run another set of checks for election inspectors and the rest of the Consumers bills not received. Election day went well I thought. People who had came into vote appreciated seeing the doors open and tables being wiped down after voters left.

Supervisor: Gordon Tree Service is going to help with cleaning up the cemetery by cutting the dead branches that are going to fall and Mr. North would like to put an ad in the paper to look for someone who can stand the stones up and clean them up. Mr. North addressed three separate issues with Floyd Bender; 1. He has contacted Rural Development with questions that should have been brought to and addressed by the board. 2. He has attended a road commission meeting and asked to have his road repaired, again this should been a board issue. The Township Board has a road repair plan. 3. The board has been informed on more than one occasion that Mr. Bender has referred to himself as a board member and residents have asked for clarification. Mr. Bender does NOT hold any current board positions and residents should refer their questions to a board member.

Water/Sewer: Water and sewer Bid Requests have been sent out for bidding. When they come in, we will review them. We will decide as a board whom the project is awarded and will announce it.

A resident lost his paper on where to put the stakes. Yesterday the stakes went out that has the paper in it. The complete schedule is there. Complete description of the grinder pump on how to set it up is there. We had a hard time getting the easements signed, it took a lot longer to complete due to people spreading misinformation and rumors. The lawsuit was won. So far we have around \$1,000.00 in court fees that gets put onto the district. We are hoping for lower costs on the infrastructure.

We live on LaLonde Rd. they keep grating it but the water keeps pooling in the holes. Bob stated that road is on our list of roads to be repaired. The bridges and road repairs needing to done due to floods have set it back some.

Old Business: None

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New Business: Assessor contract. Julie has retired and Ronda has helped Julie while she was out, she is willing to take over Julies position. We can appoint Ronda since she is a hired contractor. Bobbi and Ryan will be the Trustees for the board for next four years. Would like to entertain a motion to bring Ronda on as our new assessor. Motion made by Sue and supported by Bobbi. Employee and not contractor. Discussion, by becoming an employee she is covered under the Township. Attending meetings as requested. At least one meeting every quarter. Roll call 5-0, motion carried.

Public Comment: Gary; Ronda is very good and thorough. Appreciate what Bob and the board and our committee has done. Bender has an issue with blight 12/19/19 corner of Apple and Elm, what is that status? Gary will look into it. Will need to have a complaint form filled out. No other comments.

Went through detail and line by line to the best we could for the residents of the township. Website that all the big contractors follow to get bids from.

Approval to pay the book of bills: Motion made by Sue and supported by Bobbi.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Bobbi and supported by Sue.

Prepared by: Shara Klenk / Clerk