

November 21, 2022

Supervisor Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The pledge was recited as an opening to the meeting.

Roll Call: Clark-here, Lutz-here, Peterson-here, Rice-here, Rigby-here.

Agenda and Minutes: Peterson moved to accept the agenda and minutes with the Item F added (closed session with litigation counsel), Clark seconded - Motion passed

Visitor Comments:

A citizen (Mr. Giegley) questioned what happened with the court case going into default.

Liquor license request: Schrock's are requesting Local Government Approval of the liquor license. Roll call vote: Clark-yes, Lutz-yes, Peterson-yes, Rice- yes, Rigby - abstain

Monthly Reports:

Fire: The Department had 12 total calls for the month - 1 for Nottawa Township assist to Lifecare, 2 for the village, and 5 to Lockport. 4 total automatic aid call to the City of TR

Library: Patron count 1,308, Circulation 3,277, and people count 2,059. Full report on file.

Assessor: Processed and approved splits and lot line adjustments, finalized all special assessment districts and Finalized winter PRE values for winter tax bills.

Cemetery: 1 deed to sign, 1 cremations, and 0 burial, Bills for the month: Shell fleet -178.30 premium gas, 224.97 diesel; Alpha Lumber-166.95. Received two quotes and waiting on a third before awarding the contract for the opening up new section of Prairie River Cemetery.

Ordinance: No report was given this month

Treasurer: General fund-227,355.38 Full report on file

Clerk: State Election results: 1,420 total voters, 490 of 523 AV ballots returned on time 93.69%, 930 in-person voting. 127 phone calls, 993 emails, 4 meetings, 1 notary; worked on Township Audit. In the process of uploading Voter history.

Motion: Regarding the case of Midwest V, LLC v Nottawa Township and Nottawa Township Board of Trustees, now pending in the United States District Court for Western District of Michigan, Case No. 22-cv-00884, Peterson moved to go into closed session to consult with the Township's attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation because an open meeting would have a detrimental financial effect on the litigating or settlement position of the Township.

Roll Call: Clark- yes, Lutz - yes, Peterson-yes, Rice-yes, Rigby- yes.

Lutz moved to come back into open session. Rigby seconded; motion passed.

Supervisor: Worked with inspector Wickey, Assessor Brousseau, Doug Kuhlman, and Mike Haydon, reviewed West Sand Lake SAD, Lake Templene Sad, Solar Ordinance and Dollar General lawsuit, Ambulance Coalition meeting.

Monthly Bills: Lutz moved to accept monthly bills for the amount of 176,411.22 with an EFT transfer of 6,080.95. Seconded by Rigby - the motion passed.

Planning commission: Solar Ordinance committee meeting - concerns expressed on migratory fencing effect on deer, 500' setback, 10% coverage. The mixed-use ordinance subcommittee is to be H. Overbeek, B Chobot, and E Yoder

Fire: Working on a new budget for the coming fiscal year.

New Business

Planning Commission appointments (2023-25)

Roger Schrock and Brenda Chobot - Peterson moved to approve these renewals. Seconded by Clark - motion passed.

Board of Review appointments (2023-24)

Renewal of all three members: Bob Bickle, Grey Metz, Jay Kelley - Moved by Peterson, Seconded by Clark - motion past.

Zoning Board of Appeals (2023-2025)

Peterson moved to renewal of Jason Kelley, seconded by Rice - motion passed.

Clark moved to retain attorney Tom Meagher (Foster Swift attorneys, Lansing) for the Midwest LLC lawsuit. Rigby seconded - motion passed.

Clark moved to establish a moratorium on new commercial and light manufacturing in mixed corridor until June 1st 2022 or until a ordinance is approved. Rigby seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 Moved by Rice, seconded by Clark. Motion carried

Bret Lutz, Clerk

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Dave Peterson, Supervisor