

TOWNSHIP OF VICTOR
Clinton County, Michigan
6843 Alward Road, Laingsburg, MI 48848
VICTOR TOWNSHIP BOARD
February 6, 2018
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Victor Township Board was called to order by Township Supervisor Warren Malkin at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Warren Malkin, Mike Wall and Paula Willoughby. Maggie Sayles arrived at 7:03. Members absent: Kimberly Smith

ROUTINE BUSINESS:

Brief Public Comment: Marie Howe inquired on the 2-3 minute limit. The board has always had that, but has allowed residents to use the time as needed.

Moved by Wall, support by Malkin to approve Maggie Sayles as recording secretary in absence of Clerk. All in favor, motion passed.

Agenda: Moved by Wall, supported by Sayles, to approve the agenda as amended. Amendment included adding Arbor Financial Services under New Business. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by Wall, seconded by Malkin, to approve the minutes of January 6, 2018 as amended. Amendments include 1) replace presented with as amended regarding approval of Dec. minutes, 2) deleted "and key card for the door took place" under Items of Public Interest 3) Malkin made offer, Wall motioned, Sayles second regarding Sale of Fire Truck 4) deleted "next month to allow for" and replaced with "until" regarding Use of Soccer Field 5) deleted Fire and Rescue, replaced with Emergency Services under New Business. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Malkin accepted the Treasurer's report to be placed on file, subject to audit. Willoughby entertained questions.

Approval of Bills: Moved by Willoughby, supported by Wall, to pay the accounts payable in the amount of \$16,763.14 using check numbers, 26884, 26917-26937. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by Willoughby, supported by Wall, to pay the payroll in the amount of \$4879.90 using check numbers, 11845-11851. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Wall, support by Willoughby to authorize additional payments that were omitted. Vendors/staff to be paid: Terminx, BSA, The Weekly, WOW, Dan Woodbury, Shawn Smith. All in favor, motion carried.

REPORTS:

LSW Representative Wall reported business as usual and provided information on runs. No February meeting for LSW. Sale of fire truck housed at Jason Rd. Facility is complete. Payment of utilities now reverts to LVPOA. Malkin read a statement questioning the way the contract with LSW allocates funds.

Maggie Sayles reported that the PC is working to add attachments to the official Parks and Rec Plan that was submitted to DNR. This is an online process that the Clerk has the access to. Plan must be finalized by March 1, 2018 in order for the PC to submit a grant proposal to for matching funds to play area by April 1, 2018. PC working on tight timeline to get paperwork in.

Motion by Willoughby, second by Wall to accept resignation of Mary Gebbia-Portice. All in favor, motion carried. The board thanked Mary or her service over the past years.

Motion by Willoughby, second by Sayles to open discussion on filling Planning Commission vacancy. All in favor, motion carried. Malkin presented a candidate to fill position. Discussion followed on process for transparency and due process. Supervisor appoints, but must have support of the board. Will look into process.

Motion by Wall, second by Willoughby for the Clerk to seek letters of interest for PC vacancy by posting in the township's normal process. Wall, Willoughby, Sayles in favor, Malkin opposed, motion carried.

COUNTY OFFICIALS:

Adam Stacy, County Commissioner, reported the county updating county infrastructure as allocated in the Fiscal 18 budget. Provided update on other routine matters.

Deputy Sheriff James Chrenka reported 1805 calls last year for Clinton County. Up from the previous year. The opioid crisis is the unspoken epidemic in all Michigan counties.

ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST:

Willoughby referred the LSW contract, pointing out that funds are allocated based on taxable value of property which is a common and fair practice amongst townships.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence was offered to be placed on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Church & School repairs – table until spring

Use of Soccer Fields – tabled until input from soccer groups.

Contracts – tabled until March as no update was provided.

Budget 2018-19 – Sayles asked that \$5000 be placed into Parks and Rec line and \$5000 into renovations for kitchen upgrades. Budget is not ready for review. Willoughby will prepare an excel spreadsheet for the supervisor to prepare budget for March review. Wall requested that Mr. Ginther ask to be recognized if he has a comment during board business rather than making derogatory comments towards board members.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Salaries – table until further information from the Clerk

Phone system- tabled until further information from the Clerk

Planning Board Member – business taken care of prior in meeting (planning commission report)

Budget Public Hearing – Budget is not ready for board review, so no public hearing set at this time. Suggested by Wall that the board may need to call a special meeting so that the budget is approved by April 1, 2018.

Arbor Financial Services – Arbor holds a contract to collect past fees owed CAFR. Discussion on where funds end up if collected as CAFR no longer exists. Supervisor will review the contract with Arbor.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT:

Discussion on Clerk's absence and responsibilities. Clerk submitted an email to the board for a leave of absence for February 2018.

Moved by Malkin, supported by Sayles to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Recording Secretary, Maggie Sayles, Trustee
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