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Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Roll Call

Members Present: Boyd - Supervisor; Perrin - Clerk; Hettich - Treasurer; Keith -

Trustee; Redes – Trustee

Approval of Agenda

Boyd: Add under New Business, #5 Propane. Motion to approve agenda as

corrected - Boyd/Keith - all yes

Assessor's Report

None. Assessor not present.

Citizens Comments Mike McGuire, Coldwell Banker Realtor, discussed the property across from Timbers. New owner is looking into conditional zoning for a small development (storage unit buildings). Mr. McGuire came to the meeting to answer any

questions. Discussion followed.

Approval of Minutes Keith requested the following change to the Regular Minutes of June 12, 2018: Under 911 Report, Keith meant to say he did not attend the last 'Township' meeting. Motion to approve Regular Minutes of June 12, 2018 as corrected - Boyd/Hettich - all yes. Motion to approve Park Inspections Meeting of June 20, 2018 - Boyd/Redes - all yes. Motion to approve Budget Hearing Minutes of June 23, 2018 - Boyd/Keith - all yes. Motion to approve Annual Minutes of June 23, 2018 – Boyd/Perrin – all yes.

Payment of Bills

Check #17149-17213: AP=\$47,767.80, Payroll=\$29,615.35 for Total of \$77,383,15. Motion to approve payment of bills as presented -Boyd/Redes - B,R,K,H,P - all yes

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Reports for June and July were received. Accounts are balanced. Regarding July report, the bank went to a new program & sent statements through 23rd and also from 23rd to end of month. Did not receive last new statement for Cemetery fund in time; therefore, \$0.20 interest will be on August report. Taxes must be paid by Sept. 14 without penalty.

Fire Dept Report

2 months: 4 runs to date: Illegal burn, false alarm, 2-car property damage accident, house full of smoke due to wood stove.

Trucks: MDOT inspection scheduled/full service should be done end of week. All equipment is getting tested: Hoses, ladders, SCBA's, jaws, pumps.

Station

Open house was successful. Station was painted.

Cemetery/Parks

1 full burial, 1 cremation, parks & cemetery maintained, park tables in at hall & Pleasant Lake park, working on Lake Mitchell parks.

Blight Ordinance

2240 E 34 Rd pole barn that burned down: Owner got property back from land contract; has a dumpster and is working on cleaning it up; he is asking for bill for excavator. Boyd stated he assured the owner that if he was working on cleaning it up, no legal action would be taken.

Other comments from Chief There is some wash-out happening at outside hall. Would like to put in treated lumber and stones so the asphalt isn't ruined.

Sewer Report

Boyd – Last meeting: Users concerned about rates: want committee to look for different avenues for loans/grants. Setting aside money for line item improvements. Since meeting, received letter from Hilty (Chairperson), Wade Trim has exercised their right to opt out of contract. Next meeting, will look at engineering firms.

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911 Report

Keith - No longer looking to build on donated property. Have property west of jail. Want to build 2500 sq.ft. main floor & 2500 sq.ft. walkout basement. Bids coming in at \$500,000 to \$700,000. Still looking for contractor. Building needs to be considered an emergency shelter. Sold old tower for \$293,000; most will go back to general fund, to be used specifically for 911. Next meeting will be October 9 at MI State Police Post.

Road Advisory Rpt

Redes - Nothing new.

Zoning Report

Redes - Last meeting: reviewed Bylaws; asking for amendment regarding conditional rezoning (same as before; timing issues from time it was approved before); updating of Master Plan (will be 4 public meetings: Aug. 24 at 6 pm at Colfax Fire Dept, Sept 5 at 6 pm at Wexford Road Comm, Sept 8 at 10am at Cherry Grove Twp Hall, Sept 12 at 6pm at Harrietta Twp Hall.

Citizens Comments

None

New Business

- 1. Video Service: Boyd: There is a tax on cable; twp currently gets 3%. 2017 franchise fees = \$8,684.92. We can go as high as 5%. Boyd recommends staying at 3%. Board agreed. Motion to sign contract with Video Services, remaining at 3% rate - Boyd/Keith - B,K,H,R,P - all yes
- 2. Wexford County Joint Planning Commission: Ordinance # 2018-57 Revision B: Wexford County Joint Planning Commission; an Ordinance to Amend the Wexford Joint Zoning Ordinance of 2017 by Adding New Section 9802A Authorizing the Conditional Rezoning of Land, Establishing the Procedures and Conditions therefore and Repealing all Ordinances in Conflict herewith. Motion to approve Ordinance #2018-57 Revision B - Boyd/Redes -B,R,K,H,P - all yes.
- Lamar Advertising: Boyd read aloud letter from Lamar Advertising regarding ground rental. Was paying \$750 annually, now offering to pay \$1,500 annually. Motion to renew contract with Lamar Advertising, which will include lease going from \$750 to \$1,500 annually - Boyd/Perrin - B,P,K,H,R - all yes
- 4. Election: Perrin: All new election equipment. We did not have any problems. Received just over \$1,300 back from schools for elections (schools paid for elections), with another \$658 coming from Mesick. Next election will be November 6.
- 5. Propane: Boyd: Coyne offered a fixed rate of \$1.299/gallon (as introductory offer good for 1 year). Crystal Flash verbally said they would give us a rate of \$1.469/gallon. Discussion. Motion to continue with Crystal Flash at \$1.469/gallon for this heating season – Boyd/Redes – B-y,R-y,H-n,K-y,P-y. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business None

Correspondence

Boyd discussed anonymous paperwork received regarding a complaint on how the township handles blight. Received newsletter from Mika, Meyer if anyone would like to review it. Received letter from Robert Hall regarding assistance with blight. Discussion. Perrin: Received card from Visitor's Bureau. They are very appreciative of our sign outside displaying area activities. Dan Janik takes care of this sign for us. Thank you Dan.

Board Comments

None.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 8:02 PM

Carol Perrin, Clerk; August 14, 2018