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Call to Order

Supervisor Boyd called meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Roll Call

Members Present: Boyd – Supervisor; Perrin – Clerk; Hettich – Treasurer; Redes – Trustee: Keith – Trustee

Assessor's Report

No land divisions. Personal property statements mailed end of December. 2019 change to legislation for personal property. If in 2019 a business timely filed 5076, small business taxpayer exemption form, (if they have less than \$80,000 in true cash value in personal property they are exempt from paying it), then they do not have to re-file each year, unless their circumstances change. Cuts down on how many personal property statements need to be sent out. If they had an accepted 5076 from last year, do not have to send them a personal property statement this year. Letters to disabled veterans will be mailed tomorrow to those that applied last year. Currently finishing ECF's & land value analysis & will enter splits/combinations and new constructions before roll is done next month. Notices of assessment changes will be mailed by the County in February. March BOR training February 18 at Cherry Grove Event Center, put on by NW MI Assessor's Assoc. (\$20/person). Chris Redes has agreed to be full time BOR member. Still looking for an alternate.

March BOR Meeting Dates:

March 3, 6pm - Organizational; March 11, 3-9pm & March 12, 9am-3pm - Appeals

Resolution #01-2020 – Resolution To Waive the Collection of Penalties or Fines for the Non-Filing or Late Filing of Property Transfer Affidavits – Assessor discussed. Boyd read aloud resolution. Motion to approve Resolution #01-2020 – Resolution to Waive the Collection of Penalties or Fines for the Non-Filing or Late Filing of Property Transfer Affidavits – Boyd/Redes – B,R,K,H,P – all yes. Resolution duly adopted.

Resolution #02-2020 – A Resolution Authorizing Alternative Dates in March for the Township Board of Review – Assessor discussed the need to change meeting dates due to the election. Boyd read aloud resolution. Motion to approve Resolution #02-2020 - A Resolution Authorizing Alternative Dates in March for the Township Board of Review – Boyd/Keith – B,K,R,H,P – all yes. Resolution duly adopted.

Resolution #03-2020 – A Resolution Establishing Poverty Guidelines for Exemption from Property Tax Contributions – Assessor stated resolution is same as last year, except annual household income has been updated to the poverty thresholds issued by State Tax Commission (Federal Poverty Guidelines). Boyd read aloud resolution. Motion to approve Resolution #03-2020 - A Resolution Establishing Poverty Guidelines for Exemption from Property Tax Contributions – Boyd/Keith – B,K,H,R,P – all yes. Resolution duly adopted.

Approval of Agenda

Perrin: Delete Zoning Ord. Add Resolutions: Poverty Guidelines, Alternate Dates for BOR, Property Affidavits. **Motion to approve agenda as corrected– Boyd/Keith – all yes**

Citizens Comments

None.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve Minutes of December 10, 2019 - Boyd/Redes - all yes

Payment of Bills

Check #17717-17762: AP=\$14,533.14, Payroll=\$19,984.78 for Total of \$34,517.92. Motion to approve payment of bills as presented - Boyd/Keith - B,K,H,R,P - all yes

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report was received. Accounts are balanced. Janet Smythe signed off. Taxes are due by February 14th without penalty.

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Fire Dept Report

<u>12 runs to date:</u> False alarm, 3 PIA's, electrical fire (Tracey Lane), 2-down power lines, 4 rollovers, assist Boon snowmobile accident

<u>Trucks:</u> tender 9 can only haul water (will only use as a tender); rescue 9, engine 9 in good working order

Station

Washer is being installed. Trustee Keith did plumbing work. Jay's Electric is doing electrical work. SCBA's should be back in service by Feb 1. Need 2 light-up stop/slow signs: \$218 each, extension poles \$68 each. Motion to purchase 2 light-up signs and 2 poles, not to exceed \$600 – Boyd/Keith – B,K,R,H,P – all yes

800 radios are up & running. Fire Chief will be on vacation Jan 15-Jan 29. Keith to plow snow during this time.

Cemetery/Parks

Working on wording for cemetery rates. Had to lock cemetery gates. Parks plowed as needed.

Blight Ordinance

None

Sewer Report

Boyd: Paid bills, reports of what has & has not been taken care of. Focus on what is needed for Rural Development loan.

911 Report

Keith: Dec 19 meeting - Getting ready to put tower up, generator has been installed, hanging drywall, heat is on, but Keith has not been by to see if all this has actually been done. Next meeting is Thursday. 800 system is up & working. Does not know move-in date.

Zoning Report

Redes: Gave board copies of upcoming ordinance. Discussing changing setbacks for accessory buildings. Also discussing allowing accessory buildings in front yard in some rural residential and some bigger parcels. Also discussing possibility of (in some zoning districts) permitting putting in pole barn, accessory building, garage without a residence already being there. Will probably be voting on this next month.

Road Advisory Rpt

Redes: None. Boyd received a complaint regarding people dangerously parking on both sides of road around White Sands. Boyd spoke w/Sheriff & also Alan Cooper (Wex Co Rd Comm) about putting no parking signs up. Alan Cooper to get back with Boyd.

Citizens Comments

None

New Business

- 1. Rescind Resolution 07-2019 Motion to rescind Resolution 07-2019 Perrin/Boyd P,B,K,H,R all yes. Resolution 07-2019 is duly rescinded.
- 2. <u>Resolution #04-2020</u> Resolution #04-2020 Resolution of Intent to Finance Acquisition of Fire Truck By Installment Purchase Agreement Boyd read aloud resolution. Motion to adopt Resolution #04-2020 Resolution of Intent to Finance Acquisition of Fire Truck By Installment Purchase Agreement Boyd/Redes B,R,K,H,P all yes. Resolution is duly adopted.

Unfinished Business

1. Veterans' Display at Courthouse: Boyd will check to see if Township can donate.

Board Comments

Perrin will check into getting parts for reinforcing awning. Fire Chief: 908 pickup truck is still having occasional electrical problems, will have it looked at.

Correspondence

None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 8:08 PM

Carol Perrin, Clerk January 14, 2020