

IOSCO TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
AUGUST 20th, 2020

The meeting was called to order, by Supervisor Miller at 8:02PM. Clerk Delmerico, Treasurer Bonnville, Trustees Parker and Hardies present. Additionally, Assessor/Zoning Administrator Allen, J. Dailey, Deputy Treasurer and Township Attorney Harris were present. Township residents: R. Huffine, and L. McCallum were in attendance, along with Township Property Owner L. Cook, and Visitor J. Fanto.

After the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, Parker made a Motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Hardies. All Ayes, Motion Carried. (AA, MC.)

Call to the Public: Ms. Dailey, and later Trustee Parker, spoke about a meeting that would be taking place outside at the Park Pavilion, at which Surf Broadband would make a presentation, along with answering questions about the recent fiber optical cable installation going on around the Township. Attorney Harris said that the Township could host an information meeting for the company.

Delmerico made a Motion to adopt the proposed Board Minutes of July 16th, 2020; as corrected; seconded by Hardies. AA, MC.

The Treasurer reported that as of today, there is \$403,678.82 in the General Fund checking account, \$251,692.92 in the General Fund savings account, \$150,000.00 plus an unknown amount of interest in the Certificate of Deposit (CD), with a maturity date of September 2021, at Chase Bank, \$206,493.55 in a CD at 1st National Bank, with a maturity date of March, 2021. Additionally, there is \$150,000 in the Change Fund, and \$3,345.31 in the Township Hall Rental checking account. The total for all of above is \$1,015,360.60. Currently, there is \$212,477.19 in the Road Millage Liability account, \$14,883.50 in various escrow accounts, \$5,006.10 in the Trust & Agency account, and \$11,908.24 in the Current Tax checking account. For the month of August, there are still 1,150 trash pickup stops, unchanged from last month.

Delmerico made a Motion to pay \$75,409.30 in monthly bills. Hardies seconded the motion. Roll Call vote AA, MC. This amount includes \$16,947.75 for the monthly trash pickup, pay for the election workers for the August election, \$5,000 for the Fowlerville Community Service Officer, and \$27,148.14 for a dust control application.

Bonnville reported that there has not been a meeting of the Fowlerville Fire Authority Board since the July Township Board meeting. In the past month, there were 19 medical calls for assistance from Township residents, and 1 controlled burning run.

Parker reported that the Planning Commission (PC) has sent out copies of the revised Master Plan to all adjacent communities, and are awaiting for responses from their PCs. The PC has received proposed revisions to the Zoning Ordinance (ZO) to reflect changes to Article 2.0-Signs, along with the proposed Demolition Bonds. Article proposed They hope to have those changes in effect after the September PC meeting.

Parker made a Motion, seconded by Miller, to appoint Sheri VanWyck to the Planning Commission, for a term ending August 2023. AA, MC.

Parker made a Motion, seconded by Hardies, to appoint Pat Dunn to the Planning Commission, to a term ending September 2023. AA, MC.

Ms. Allen reported that in the last month she has issued 3 Zoning Compliance Certificates (ZCC), along with 2 waivers of the same. None of the ZCCs were for dwelling. Overall for the year, there have only been a total of 24 ZCCs issued, of which 5 were for dwellings, along with 5 waivers. This is a marked drop compared to last year at this time.

Ms. Cook has indicated that she wants to have an engagement party and a reunion on her property across the street from the Township Hall. According the Special Events, she is allowed 2 special events a year, but they must be applied for, and approved by the Board. There is a fee involved. Ms. Cook does not feel that this is fair, and she should be allowed to have her parties without having to apply for a permit. Several residents in attendance, such as Mr. Huffine, and Ms. McMallum, spoke in support of Ms. Cook. Attorney Harris said that the Board's hands are tied and have to follow the applicable ordinance's rules for this activity. After much discussion, from both the Public and the Board, Parker made a Motion to allow Ms. Cook to approve in advance a Special Event Permit for her party on August 29th, 2020, subject to the following conditions: 1. That Ms. Cook must provide to the Zoning Administrator; Anne Allen, a map of the property showing any additional structures that are being erected or placed specifically for the party, and 2. Ms. Cook provide a \$1,000,000 liability insurance policy with the Township listed as the Certificate Holder, Beneficiary, and be held harmless for future legal action. Bonnville seconded the Motion. AA, MC.

Bonnville made a Motion to table consideration of the proposed Medical Marihuana Facilities General Ordinance until the September Board meeting, so that the Clerk can research whether or not the Township had to reverse its decision to Opt-out of medical marihuana facilities. Parker seconded the Motion. AA, MC.

Parker reported that the Township network router has been configured to be able to broadcast an "internet bubble" covering the Township's parking lot. When it is up and running, Fowlerville students will be able to freely access the Fowlerville Student Studies Programs only; access to the general internet will be denied. He also indicated that Surf Broadband Solutions, would be willing to run a dark fiber line to the Township for future use; subject to the fee, Trustee Parker is to explore this option and report back to the Board at the September meeting.

There was no response to the 2nd Call to the Public.

Supervisor's Comments

The Treasurer commented that Livingston County has had the best average response to the U.S. Census in Michigan, and is listed 14th in the Nation for response rate.

Hardies made a Motion to adjourn at 9:33PM; seconded by Parker. AA. MC.

Respectfully submitted by

Dan Delmerico