

# TOWNSHIP OF FLYNN REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 13, 2021

8:00 P.M. - Regular Monthly Board Meeting at the Flynn Township Senior Center

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Grant Burgess, Clerk Rob Vinande, Treasurer Brent Banks, Trustee Jeff Keesler

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Bob Alexander

**GUESTS:** Deputy Treasurer Tracy Banks, Deputy Clerk Katherine Wilson, Deputy Supervisor Gene Burgess, Assessor Thomas Lupo, District 4 Commissioner Roger Ballard, 83<sup>rd</sup> District Houser Representative Andrew Beeler, Carol Ann Vinande

# **REGULAR AGENDA:**

- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY Supervisor Grant Burgess
- Q&A with State Representative, Andrew Beeler, Michigan House District 83
  - o Presented Legislature Focus
    - State House of Representatives To-Date
      - Appropriations
      - Healthcare
      - Ethics in Lansing
    - Representative Beeler
      - Representing the 83<sup>rd</sup> District
      - Veterans to Teachers
      - Healthcare
    - State House of Representatives Remainder of 2021
      - Allocate remainder of budget not specified as department specific
- ASSESSOR'S REPORT: Next BOR scheduled for July 20, 2021 at 9 a.m.. Working on the 2022 tax roll.
- **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:** Commissioner Ballard's Report attached as page 3 of this document.
- **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion made by Treasurer Brent Banks seconded by Trustee Jeff Keesler to approve the June 8th minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**
- **APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP EXPENSES:** A motion made by Trustee Jeff Keesler and seconded by Treasurer Brent Banks to approve the July bills as presented for a total of \$3,316.05. **MOTION CARRIED**

• APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP TREASURER'S REPORT: A motion made by Trustee Jeff Keesler seconded by Clerk Robert Vinande to accept the Treasurer's Balance Sheet as presented for June 30th. MOTION CARRIED

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

## • SENIOR CENTER / PARK

- WiFi thermostats installed at the center
- Senior Center front door lock repaired
- o Procured 1,500 gallons of propane for 2021-2022

# • NATURE CENTER

Open House Held on June 12 with 60 in attendance.

## • SCRAP TIRE PICK-UP

- o Scheduled for tomorrow, July 14, at the Senior Center parking lot
- o State grant is valid until August 31, 2021

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### ROADS

- o Dust control brine has been applied to all township gravel roads
- o Supervisor Grant Burgess to contact Les (Supervisor at the local county garage) regarding his recommendations for roads which may require additional gravel before the end of the year
- o Board discussed the impact of "For-Hire" entities using large tractors and manure spreaders on the roads

## CLERK ITEMS

- o There will be Election Equipment Maintenance Cost for the 2022 Budget
- o Sanilac County News Contract "Renewal"
  - Board discussed the proposal and agreed to not pursue it.
- o Discussed use of the Senior Center by the Sanilac County Clerk as the location for all the Sanilac County townships to bring their election equipment for software and hardware maintenance
  - A motion was made by Clerk Rob Vinande and seconded by Treasurer Brent Banks to allow the use of the center for election software and hardware maintenance. **MOTION CARRIED**
- O Discussed the American Rescue Plan (ARP) / Covid-19 Relief Funding options for the townships
  - A motion was made by Clerk Rob Vinande and seconded by Treasurer Brent Banks to proceed with "Option 1" and have Clerk Rob Vinande apply for the funding. **MOTION CARRIED**
  - Due date is July 27

#### OTHER

- o Supervisor Grant Burgess discussed request from the engineers of the "Digester Project" at the Goma Dairy Farm, for the board to make a motion stating the only permit needed is the "Land Use Permit".
  - Board decided the "Land Use Permit" process speaks for itself and no further action on the request will be made.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by Clerk Rob Vinande seconded by Treasurer Brent Banks to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED** 

# COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – DISTRICT 4 ROGER C. BALLARD CITY / VILLAGE / TOWNSHIPS REPORT JULY 2021

July 16,2021

Jamie Rivette, CPA for YEO & Yeo gave a brief report on the County Audit, made a recommendation that the County go back to overseeing budgets by Dept. rather than "by line".

Appointed Donald Rudy to the Veteran's Affairs Committee.

Rescinded the Sanilac County Resolution restricting spending and the hiring freeze.

Adopted a resolution establishing an internal service fund known as the "Self Insurance Fund; County of Sanilac". Funding sources will be the general fund, reimbursements from non-general funds and employee contributions.

Suspended the Sanilac County Covid-19 Preparedness and response plan.

Public comment from Michael Sage, Regional Manager for DTE Energy on progress being made on relocating utility poles on Old 51. It is in phase one of 6 and will help improve electric service.

Also spoke briefly on marijuana grows and offered assistance in drafting proposed ordinance language on same.

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