

ADA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 24, 2019

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Haga at noon. Members present: Supervisor Haga, Clerk Smith, Treasurer Moran, Trustees Jacobs, McAleenan and Proos. Members absent: Trustee Hurwitz. Also Present: Planning Director Ferro, Fire Chief Murray, Accountant Cassie Rodriguez, Firefighter Nick Dewey, and approximately five community members.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Jacobs, supported by McAleenan, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

Township Board Minutes - 06/10/19

Receive and File Various Reports/Communications

1. Ada DDA Minutes – 05/13/19; 2. GVMC Minutes – 05/07/19; 3. Park Director's Repot – 06/13/19; 4. Ada Historical Society Minutes – 05/09/19; 5. Ada Parks, Recreation and Land Preservation Advisory Board FY 2018-2019 Annual Report to the Township Board – 04/03/19; 6. Ada Utility Systems Improvements Update Report – 06/03/19; 7. Fire Department Activity Report – 05/19.

Moved by Proos, supported by Moran, to approve the Minutes and accept the Reports and Communications under the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS

ADA TOWNSHIP GENERAL WARRANTS

Treasurer Moran presented the following Hand Checks: #101, \$2,518.95; #205, \$883.68; #214, \$497.63. Total of all Hand Checks: \$3,900.26. Warrants: #101, \$46,573.00; #205, \$9,709.60; #214, \$10,605.77; #248 \$2,619.09; #301 \$750.00; #401 \$6,383.33; #590 \$67,489.43; #591 \$10,272.58; #592 \$2,962.25. Total of all Warrants: \$157,365.05. Total of all Checks and Warrants: \$161,265.31. Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to approve the Warrant Report for June 24, 2019, in the total amount of \$161,265.31. Roll Call: Yes – Proos, Jacobs, McAleenan, Smith, Moran, Haga; No – 0; Absent - Hurwitz. Motion carried.

AVERILL MUSEUM ADDITION, CONTRACTOR PAY APPLICATION # 8 - FINAL

Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to postpone action on the Pay Application #8/Final for the Averill Museum Addition. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Frank Hoover, 700 Marbury, stated there was a sign that referred to "historical Ada," and that the sign didn't apply any more since historical buildings are being torn down. He referenced a home at Ada and Bradford and another home at 7280 Thornapple River Drive. He said we needed to save what we have.

BOARD COMMENT

Trustee McAleenan stated the groundbreaking for the library was nice. He thanked Supervisor Haga for the utility information.

Trustee Proos followed up with his question from the last meeting about the trail issues. Parks Director Fitzpatrick stated there were two issues remaining on the punch list. Proos also asked about high water issues. Fitzpatrick stated the river is now 16 feet and we begin concern at 11 feet. River should be cresting now. Proos stated at the groundbreaking he talked to Jim from Progressive AE about the Phase I work issue. We were billed for over \$70,000 for time, and he is looking for a letter regarding the information or a credit.

Treasurer Moran stated preliminary numbers from Beers at the Bridge look good. There was record attendance and revenue. He stated the 4th of July parade is on, with no celebration due to the library/community center anticipated construction.

Supervisor Haga stated there will be a special board meeting on July 15 at noon regarding the library/community center contract.

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

FIREWORKS DISPLAY PERMIT - 3050 PETTIS AVENUE

Steve Bartz, 3040 Pettis, explained the request. Moved by Proos, supported by McAleenan, to approve the Application for Fireworks on July 20 at 3050 Pettis. It was noted that the Fire Department is not anticipated to be needed, and the fireworks should last about seven minutes. Neighbors have been notified via email. Motion carried.

TAX FORECLOSURE PROPERTY AT 2952 PETTIS AVENUE NE

Planning Director Ferro explained the opportunity for the township to buy this land-locked, foreclosed land. Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to not purchase the property at 2952 Pettis Avenue NE. Motion carried.

WATER AND SANITARY SEWER UTILITIES OPREATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

Supervisor Haga explained two proposals had been received. Ryans Municipal Services proposes cleaning the pipes every three years. F& V proposes cleaning the pipes every five years. Moved by Proos, supported by Jacobs, to approve extending the contract with Ryans Municipal Services as proposed. Moved by Proos, supported by Moran, to amend the motion to include extending the contract for six years, with a 5% increase for years 4-6. Motion to amend carried. There was discussion about personnel and their abilities, the per-hour rate, history, emergencies, and the proposals. Roll Call: Yes – Jacobs, McAleenan, Proos, Moran, Haga, Smith; No – 0; Absent – Hurwitz. Motion carried.,

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Clay, 515 Edgeworth, Adacroft Commons, stated the township is doing selective enforcement, and there are others doing business in their homes. He stated the township needs its attorney to advise regarding overstepping in regard to giving legal advice. He sated when the township gives legal advice the citizen becomes an agent of the township.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Jacqueline Smith Ada Township Clerk Date