

Edwards Township Board Meeting

February 11, 2019, 7:30 p.m.

Supervisor Taylor opened the regular meeting with the pledge to the flag at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Ron Taylor, Treasurer Eileen Fournier, Clerk Brandy Curtis, Trustee Dave Ross

Absent: Trustee Brent Illig

Attendance, Appointed/Official Positions and Public Comment Received: Craig Scott, Ogemaw County Commissioner; Ray Miller, BOR & Planning Commission; Carl McCauley, Planning Commission; Rick Stillwagon, Planning Commission; Bob Clayton, Edwards Township Zoning Administrator; Mike Laier, Sexton; Yvonne Mahl, Deputy Clerk/Hall Manager; Bob Mahl, Hall Maintenance; Edwards Township Resident Dale Sheltroun

Additions to the agenda: Resolution to eliminate recreational marijuana use

Motion by Taylor, supported by Ross, to approve additions to agenda. Motion carried.

Commissioner Craig Scott updated the board on the transition of new County Commissioners, Ogemaw County Courthouse security, and informed the township board he is the Chairman for the 911 Authority Board. Commissioner Scott answered questions of the board and public.

Treasurer report presented by Fournier. Motion by Taylor, supported by Ross, to approve Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Past minutes of January 14, 2019, and special meeting of January 16, 2019, were reviewed. Motion by Fournier, supported by Taylor, to accept prior minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Motion by Ross to adopt the following resolution:

Edwards Township
Resolution 2019-01
Resolution to Eliminate Recreational Marijuana Use

As of February 11, 2019, the Edwards Township Board resolves to prohibit facilities and land uses associated with recreational marijuana sales, production, transporting, testing, and storage. We as a township opt out of any recreational marijuana producing.

Resolution carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Fournier, Taylor, Curtis, Ross. Nays: None. Resolution accepted.

Motion by Taylor, supported by Fournier, to return hall deposits as listed. Motion carried.

Motion by Taylor, supported by Fournier, to approve bills as presented checks 5150-5184, less voided checks 5150 & 5151, in the amount of \$17,003.01. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Fournier, Curtis, Ross. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Four bids were received for the replacement of the township hall tile floor. Motion by Taylor, supported by Fournier, to award bid to lowest bidder, Chris Jones, for an estimate cost of \$21,670. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Ross, Taylor, Curtis, Fournier. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on hall camera system. Ross informed the Board insurance company will not issue a reduction in insurance rates only cost sharing with the purchase/installation of cameras. Topic will be tabled until next board meeting to allow Ross to gather more information camera installation and recording capabilities.

Motion by Taylor, supported by Fournier, to pursue Consumers Energy Grant through Medlar Electric, contingent on acceptance of grant, in the estimated cost of \$1,800 for approximately 200 LED lights installed within the township hall and approximate refund of \$600 back from Consumers Energy. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Curtis, Taylor, Ross, Fournier. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Curtis informed the Board of an Agreement to Establish an Ogemaw County Emergency Dispatch Authority packet was received and shared with the Board. The packet was informational only according to Ogemaw County Clerk, Gary Klacking.

Taylor informed the board of a packet received from the City of West Branch regarding a new program they have to honor area veterans and active-duty service people.

Curtis informed the Board she had reviewed the 2017 941s, W2s, and W3 with the auditors. 2017 941-X documents were sent to the IRS requesting a reimbursement of \$855.60 in social security taxes inaccurately reported in the 2017 2nd, 3rd, and 4th quarter 941s. A formal letter and copies of the 941-X documents were sent to the SSA.

Public comment was received. A discussion was held on upcoming board of review dates.

Edwards Township BOR March 11, 2019, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., then from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Edwards Township BOR March 12, 2019, 2 p.m. -5 p.m., then from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

2019-2020 Budget Hearing is scheduled for March 11, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

The next township board meeting is scheduled for March 11,2019, at 7:30 p.m.

The next MTA meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2019, at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Taylor, supported by Ross, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Motion carried.

Ron Taylor, Edwards Township Supervisor

Brandy Curtis, Edwards Township Clerk