

Edwards Township Board Meeting  
May13, 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, Trustees Dave Ross and Brent Illig Absent: Clerk Brandy Curtis,

ATTENDENCE; Appointed/Official Positions: Craig Scott, Ogemaw County Commissioner; Ray Miller, BOR & Planning Commission; Carl McCauley, Planning Commission; Bob Clayton, Edwards Township Zoning Administrator; Mike Laier, Sexton; Yvonne Mahl, Deputy Clerk/Hall Manager; Bob Mahl, Hall Maintenance; Rick Stillwagon, Planning Commission: Eric Young; Ogemaw Herald, Township residents

ADDITIONS to AGENDA: Board Comments suggested for end of agenda by Fournier  
Motion by Illig, supported by Fournier, to accept additions to the agenda. Motion carried.

Commissioner Craig Scott informed the Board Animal Control Officer has been hired, increase in security measures at County court house, 3 new buses being bought by Ogemaw Transit using grant money.

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

PAST MINUTES of April 8, 2019 were reviewed. Motion by Taylor, supported by Ross, minutes approved.  
Motion carried.

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

Motion by Illig, supported by Ross, to approve bills as presented checks 5251-5284, in the amount of \$8086.52. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Illig, Fournier, Ross, Taylor, Curtis, Absent. Nays: None.: Motion carried.

TREE REMOVAL AT CEMETERY: bids were unclear as 2 bids had remove two trees, one had four trees, Discussion held, Illig made motion, support by Ross for Yvonne Mahl to follow up with all 3 companies and bring more clear bids to board next month. Motion carried.

CREDIT CARD UPDATE; Illig questioned whether we have received all back statements and closed Huron Credit Card yet. Fournier was unclear as to why we have not received new credit cards from Chemical bank; she will check into it. Mahl was able to share that she was able to get February, March and April 2019 statements so that the current statement could be paid this month. She will call again and ask for November, December 2018 and January 2019. Fournier and Taylor discussed calling too. Illig shared displeasure that this has dragged on for so long and could have been avoided with user name and password being given to township in November.

RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA OPT-OUT ORDINANCE; presented by Taylor;  
Motion by Taylor, second by Ross to accept said ordinance Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes, Fournier, Taylor, Illig, Ross, Curtis-absent. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ROAD CONTRACT AGREEMENT: Green Rd (South of Rau Road) and Lake George Road (South of Lehman Rd); Motion by Illig Support by Fournier to sign contracts with Ogemaw County Road Commission to do repairs to Green Road with Township share of cost being; 12,648.30 and Lake George Road with Township share being; 9098.34

Risk Management Letter; Informational: Mr. Gombos made 3 recommendations; 1. all fire extinguishers mounted in hall need to be inspected annually or replaced annually. 2. Township should consider requesting certificate of liability insurance from "contracted cemetery sexton" Discussion held; Sexton Laier is an employee of the township and should be covered under our liability insurance. Taylor will contact Paul Olson to make sure. 3. Township should have service contracts reviewed by counsel.

AT&T METRO ACT RIGHT AWAY PERMIT AGREEMENT; Informational; Taylor signed and returned said agreement as it was outdated.

JULY AUDIT BY STEPHENSON and COMPANY P.C.; Motion by Taylor, Support by Ross to sign agreement with Stephenson and Company, Motion cared.

EDC REQUEST; Discussion held: decision was to do nothing with letter of request for funding.

PUBLIC COMMENT was received. Bill Tinker showed displeasure in not having received any tax bills in last two years, he questioned Fournier as to why. Fournier asked Tinker for phone number after meeting to be able to contact Equalization on Tuesday and be able to contact Tinker with resolution to the problem.

Ray Miller questioned who oversaw paper in office at hall as there was none, Taylor assured him the problem had been resolved.

Rick Stillwagon asked if there had been any feedback on new lights at hall?

BOARD COMMENTS; Fournier shared BS&A training is done and will be live in June. U.S. Postage stamps now .55 and glad going to receipt for tax bill via request only as it will be a savings to township, people will also have the option of email request also.

Taylor shared a free training from MTA in August. Thanked Illig for his work on getting contracts for road improvement from County Road Commission. Suggested some thought be given to bonds for roads in coming months.

The next township board meeting is scheduled for June 10,2019, at 7:30 p.m.

The next MTA meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2019, at 7:00 pm, Goodar Township.

The next Township Planning meeting is set for July 22, 2019 at 7:00p.m.

Motion by Taylor, supported by Illig, to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm. Motion carried.

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Ron Taylor, Edwards Township Supervisor

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Brandy Curtis, Edwards Township Clerk