

Edwards Township Board Meeting  
January 13, 2020, 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 Yvonne Mahl, Trustees Dave Ross, Brent Illig

ATTENDANCE: Appointed/Official Positions: Craig Scott, County Commissioner; Ray Miller, BOR & Planning Commission; Carl McCauley & Rick Stillwagon, Planning Commissions; Mike Laier, Sexton; Bob Mahl, Hall Maintenance; Linda Groth and Rob Kowalski, BOR; Brian Gilbert, Cindy Sharrow, Caren Piglowski, and Township resident

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS to AGENDA:

Motion by Taylor, supported by Illig, to accept the agenda. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT: county got a K-9 pup - Kip, 911 signed teamster contract, some interest in Kirtland site from outside source,

TREASURERS REPORT presented by Fournier. Motion by Illig Supported by Ross to approve treasurers report as presented. Motion carried.

PAST MINUTES December 9, 2019 minutes were reviewed. Motion by Illig, supported by Fournier, to approve minutes. Motion carried.

HALL DEPOSIT RETURNS: were reviewed. Motion by Taylor, supported by Fournier, to approve hall deposit returns. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Motion by Illig supported by Ross to pay bills check numbers 5518-5543 totaling 6594.79

CAREN PIGLOWSKI: Introduced self, running for county treasurer in August 2020. 22 years' experience

CENSUS: Cindy Sharrow: recruiter for census- hiring people for part time temporary employment to begin April 1, 2020 @ 17.50 per hour.

OGEMAW AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT: Ross presented the annual contribution amount 23,212.00 it was 23,025.00 last year.

ELECTION SOURCE: Mahl presented options of spreading payment over 7 years or waiting until 2022 to begin payment. Census of the board was to wait.

DANGEROUS BUILDING: Table, Bob Clayton not in attendance

ROAD IMPROVEMENT/PUBLIC HEARING: 3 roads were discussed, Green Rd – 486,951.00, Lehman Rd – 892,445.00, and Kartes Rd. – 995,034.00 Fournier would like to get more info on bond concept, Illig made motion to get rough estimate from Road commission on paving all gravel roads in Edwards Township, supported by Fournier. Motion carried

DECK OFF KITCHEN DOOR: Motion by Illig supported by Fournier to have Bob build a deck off kitchen door not to exceed 500.00, Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Taylor, Mahl, Ross, Fournier, Illig, Nays: None.

ONE YEAR EMPLOYMENT TO ACCESS PENSION: discussion held, Illig made a motion to make policy to pay the pension quarterly, not yearly in the rears.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE: Table until February meeting

BOR TRAINING: February 6, 2020 in West Branch Motion by Taylor Supported by Ross to send Linda Groth, Rob Kowlowski, Ray Miller, Lorne Hartwig, and Ron Taylor to said training. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Fournier, Illig, Ross, Taylor, Mahl Nays: None.

BUY BACK CEMETERY LOT: Motion by Fournier supported by Ross to buy back a cemetery lot from Joyce Remilong at a cost of 200.00, Motion carried

WINDOWS 10 UPDATE: Motion by Taylor supported by Illig to have Taylor have Tom Spencer install windows 10 on the supervisor's desktop computer, not to exceed 110.00, Motion carried

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS: Motion by Taylor Supported by Fournier to reappoint Larry Kartes, Ray Miller and Rick Stillwagon to a two-year term, motion carried

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS: Motion by Fournier supported by Illig to make budget adjustments as presented with an update to be given at the February meeting, Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENT: Rick Stillwagon suggested a changing table in the men's bathroom, commercial can opener in kitchen does not work, Mike Laier suggested either Ramey or Phil from funeral home be considered for cemetery committee, Rob Kowlowski asked if snowbird file had been retrieved? Who should residents contact about elections? Clerk

BOARD COMMENTS: Taylor thanked those that helped at cemetery trimming oak trees, Taylor: talked to Mike Fournier and he is still planning on being an enforcement officer

Next township board meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2020, at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Taylor, supported by Illig, to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 pm. Motion carried.

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Ron Taylor, Edwards Township Supervisor

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Yvonne Mahl, Edwards Township Clerk