Township of Arcadia Board Meeting

Thursday, September 12, 2019

Arcadia Township Hall

3422 Lake Street, Arcadia, MI 49613

**Call to order/pledge/Invocation** at 7:00 pm by Janice McCraner, Supervisor

**Roll Call**: Those present, Janice McCraner, Melanie Cederholm, Patti Wilson, Greg Wisner. Absent: Mike Cederholm

**Public Comments**: none

**Approve or Amend Agenda: Motion** to approve agenda by Clerk Wilson, 2nd by Trustee Wisner. **AIF PASSED**

**Presenters**: Sarah Archer, Manistee County Recycling Director. **Motion** by Trustee Wisner, 2nd by Clerk Wilson to accept proposal to continue in Manistee County Recycling with increase from $16.00 to $18.00/per household per year **AIF PASSED.** Township Board has requested a new larger sign for recycling site.

 Rachael Nelson, Manistee County Treasurer

**Treasurer report**: Balances as of 8/16/19 are available. Arcadia Township taxes are due September 14, 2019. Treasurer will be at the township office all day to accept tax payments, Lynn Brown will assist.

**Clerk Report:** FOIA request received from OFF SHORE WIND GROUP with proper name documentation, Shred IT 65 gallon container for shredding paperwork time to be determined.

**Motion** by Clerk Wilson, 2nd by Treasurer Cederholm for Dick Williamson to begin working at an hourly rate 12$ per Hour beginning September 1, 2019, **AIF PASSED**

**Listing of bills: Motion** by Trustee Wisner, 2nd by Treasurer Cederholm to approve listing of bills as presented. **AIF PASSED**

**Approve minutes of the August 8, 2019 meeting: Motion** to accept the minutes by Treasure Cederholm and second by Clerk Wilson. **AIF PASSED**

**Correspondence:** Duplicate Invoice from Debbra Eckhout for expenses covered in lawsuit

**Committee and Department Reports:**

**Marina**: Dick Williamson reported that business is currently very slow attributed to weather. The State of Michigan is recommending a 12% increase in slip rates for next season.

**Planning Commission**: Shannon Westgate reported that the commission held a special meeting in August. Improvement of the Arcadia Master Plan was discussed. The next meeting is October 8, 2019. The Master Plan is available for viewing on the township web site.

**Fire Department**: Wes Hull reporting. There were 6 medical runs and 2 fire runs since the last report. Fire extinguishers have been checked. **Motion** by Treasurer Cederholm and 2nd by Trustee Wisner to purchase a new brush guard for the fire truck at a cost of $1200.00 , **AIF PASSED**. The old brush guard will be put up for sale. Fall festival is scheduled for October 19, 2019.

**Grants**: Supervisor McCraner announced the Sustainable Small Harbor Grant. Value $50,000.00 to $60,000.00. October 10, 2019 visioning session at the PVCC 6-8pm. On October 11, 2019 the grant representatives will be here all day and meet with Township Committees and Commissions. On October 12, 2019 there will be a meeting from 10am-12pm at the PVCC for a presentation of information gathered at Commission meetings and Community Visioning.

**Cemetery**: No report

**Historical**: Lyle Mattson reported that the museum is open on Saturday from 1-4. 2020 will be the 20th anniversary of the museum.

**Roads:** Roads have been brined as scheduled.

**Park Commision**: Rosemary Benedetti announces that she was informed by Tina Slavens that Tom Farnsworth has resigned from the commission. Resignation has not been received in writing. Resignation needs to be done in writing. If resignation is received would result in, to few commissioners for a quorum. Next meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2019. More citizens needed for this group.

**Junk** and Blight: No report

**Lions Club**: Roger Brown reported that there will be a meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 @ PVCC to discuss Arcadia Daze and how the Lions Club can better serve the community.

**PVCC:** No report

**Old Business:**

Township Yard Waste Dump: Inappropriate items being dumped at site , cleaned up by Bryan & Patty Opdyke and put in fall dumpster, if this continues may have to consider closing the dump. Monitoring and signage option discussed.

**New Business**:

**Millage**: **Motion** by Clerk Wilson and 2nd by Treasurer Cederholm confirming the amounts listed on the L4029 to be levied, **AIF PASSED** Any new Millage or changes have to be presented for vote after May of 2020.

**Sidewalks**: Discussion about Arcadia’s sidewalks, Arcadia Township currently has no sidewalk ordinance. Suggested to draft sidewalk ordinance to facilitate grant opportunities.

**Motion** by Clerk Wilson and 2nd by Greg Wisner to cancel the October 10, 2019 board meeting. **AIF PASSED.**

**Public Comment**:

County Commissioner Pauline Jaquish gave a report on issues affecting Manistee County:

* Tax foreclosures and tax sales
* Veterans Affairs office is moving to the Dial-a-Ride garage site
* County Court building has been secured
* Manistee County Jail is 100% compliance with the State of Michigan
* 4H fair needs more members on the fair board
* 9/28/19 is the tire disposal. 10 tires/person at $2.00 tire
* Regional Summit is scheduled for September 19, 2019
* Sparkle in the Park will be held and is celebrating its 15th season
* Bear Lake site of the variety store and two buildings behind that site are for sale thru the Manistee County Land bank

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned @ 8:27pm, by Supervisor McCraner

Respectfully submitted:

Patti Wilson

Arcadia Township Clerk

**\*(AIF=All In Favor)**