

ELLSWORTH TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING FOR MAY 2020

LUTHER, MICHIGAN 49656

MAY 18, 2020

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY SUPV. ROBERT LONG. THE MEETING WAS HELD AT THE LUTHER FIRE DEPT. DUE TO THE COVID-19 DISTANCING.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT WERE ROBERT LONG, SUPV., SHARON K. BAKER CLERK, BETTY ALWARD TREASURER, LEE SYREWICZE AND MIKE DEMPKEY TRUSTEES.

OTHERS PRESENT WERE ASSESSOR LINDA MONROE, RON MONROE, JOHN TRIMBERGER, ALLEN DEAN, DAVE MIDDLETON AND HILLSDALE COLLEGE ATTORNEY AND TWO STUDENTS.

AGENDA – THE AGENDA WAS PRESENTED. L. SYREWICZE MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. M. DEMPKEY SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR. THE AGENDA WAS APPROVED.

THE MINUTES WERE REVIEWED. L. SYREWICZE MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED. B. ALWARD SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR. THE MINUTES WERE APPROVED.

PUBLIC COMMENT -THE HILLSDALE COLLEGE ATTORNEY WAS HERE TO DISCUSS THE TOWNSHIP APPROVAL FOR THE COLLEGE TO SERVE BEER, WINE AND ALCHOL ON THE PREMISES. THEY NEED A RESOLUTION SIGNED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD. IT'S A CLASS C RESOLUTION. L. SYREWICZE MADE THE MOTION. B. ALWARD SECONDED. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN LONG – YES, BAKER- YES, ALWARD – YES, SYREWICZE – YES AND DEMPKEY – NO. THE VOTE WAS 4 YES AND 1 NO. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

A RESOLUTION WAS ALSO NEEDED TO HAVE LIQUOR IN THE TOWNSHIP. B. ALWARD MADE THE MOTION. R. LONG SECONDED. A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKE. LONG – YES, BAKR – YES, ALWARD – YES, SYREWICZE – YES AND DEMPKEY – NO. THE VOTE WAS 4 YES AND 1 NO. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

THEY THANKED US AND EXCUSED THEMSELVES DUE TO A PREVIOUS APPOINTMENT.

ALLEN DEAN WAS HERE TO LET THE BOARD KNOW HE IS RUNNING FOR SUPERVISOR IN THE UPCOMING ELECTION. DAVE MIDDLETON WAS ALSO PRESENT TO LET THE BOARD KNOW HE IS ALSO RUNNING FOR SUPERVISOR.

TREAS. REPORT – S. BAKER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREAS. REPIRT. R. LONG SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR. THE TREAS. REPORT WAS APPROVED.

COMMISSIONER – ABSENT.

ASSESSOR – THERE WILL BE A JULY BOARD OF REVIEW.

LIBRARY – NO MEETING

CEMETERY – DOUBLE J MOWED THE CEMETERIES FOR MEMORIAL DAY.

FIRE DEPT. – DAVE MIDDLETON OFFERED TO REPLACE DANIELLE NIXON WHO MOVED. R. LONG MOTION TO APPOINT DAVE. M. DEMPKEY SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR. DAVE MIDDLETON WILL BE APPOINTED TO THE FIRE DEPT. AS ELLSWORTH TOWNSHIPS REPRESENTATIVE.

THERE WILL BE A FIRE DEPT. BUDGET AND OPERATING MEETING IN JUNE.

MASTER PLAN – L. SYREWICZE MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE MASTER PLAN AS PRESENTED. M. DEMPKEY SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR. THE MASTER PLAN WAS APPROVED.

ANNUAL TRASH CLEAN UP – ALLEN DEAN SAID EVERYTHING IS AL SET UP.

TWP. BILLS – L. SYREWICZE MADE A MOTION TO PAY THE TOWNSHIP BILLS. B. ALWARD SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR. THE TWP. BILLS WILL BE PAID.

VILLAGE – NOTHING

HALL – NOTHING

ELECTION – WAITING FOR INFORMATION ON HOW THIS ELECTION IS GOING TO WORK WITH THE COVED-19.

SCHOOL – R. LONG MADE A MOTION TO ACCEOT THE LAWYERS CHANGES. S. BAKER SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR.

BUDGET – R. LONG MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BUDGET AS PRESENTED WITH ONE CORRECTION. THE BRINE NEEDS TO BE MOVED TO THE ROAD ACCOUNT. M. DEMPKEY SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR. THE BUDGET WAS APPROVED WITH THE ONE CHANGE BEING MADE.

PLANNING COMMISSION – JUNE

PUBLIC COMMENT – NONE

A WEBSITE FOR THE TOWNSHIP IS BEING DESIGNED. THE COST IS \$1300.00. THE MASTER PLAN WILL BE PUT ON THE WEBSITE.

THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED. B. ALWARD MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. L. SYREWICZE SECONDED. ALL IN FAVOR. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:50PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY

SHARON K. BAKER, CLERK