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MICHIGAMME TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
MICHIGAMME TOWNSHIP HALL BOARD ROOM
April 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Guests: Nancy Ferro, Beth Koenig, Jerry Roach, Friederike Roach, Debbie Kinnunen, J. Leake, Billy Gierut, Scott Gravedoni, Rhonda Gravedoni, Charles Gardner

- I. CALL TO ORDER -The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Boshears at 6:00 p.m.
- II. ROLL CALL - MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Boshears, Treasurer Mattson, Trustee DeRoche, Trustee Frisk. Absent - Clerk Hanson. A quorum is present.
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – recited
- IV. INTRODUCTION OF ZONING ADMINISTRATOR – Due to scheduling conflict, ZA unable to attend meeting.
- V. CONSENT AGENDA:
 1. AGENDA: Motion made by Mattson to approve agenda, seconded by Frisk 4 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. FIRE BOARD - DeRoche gave report. FD will hold a fund raiser on 17 June 24 at Township Park. The Fire Board appointed Tammy Schultz to fill open position. The new Fire Truck delivery date may be moved up to June of 2024.
 - B. PLANNING COMMISSION - Frisk gave report. PC appointed Billy Gierut as Chair and Irene DeRoche as Secretary. Next meeting on 13 April 2023. New Zoning Administrator will be present.
 - C. DDA - Continuing work on Town Plan and gathering information about a sign for before the East entrance area to town. Continue work on directional signs.
 - D. RECYCLE GRANT UPDATE - Friedricke Roach will submit final report for the recycling grant. One more payment will be forthcoming. Jeremy Pickering will maintain spreadsheets that track numbers for the recycle.
- VI. CORRESPONDENCE – Letter from Republic Supervisor Jim Brennon regarding amending Public Improvement Act 188 to include the construction and maintenance of natural gas systems. Board members will read and discuss. No action taken.
- VII. PUBLIC COMMENT (Three Minutes on agenda items only) – Comment by J. Leake, Debbie Kinnunen, Rhonda Gravedoni, Scott Gravedoni asked for time to speak on agenda item.

- VIII. BOARD COMMENT – Frisk thanked the public for input. Boshears thanked public for input and patience.
- IX. CONTINUING BUSINESS:
1. WEX CARD UPDATE - Mattson gave an update on the WEX cards. Sourcewell provides WEX cards for members at no fee. Each vehicle and piece of equipment will have a card assigned to it for tracking expenses. Set up will be completed this week.
 2. PARK GRANT UPDATE - Frisk gave an update on park grant. She received correspondence regarding artifacts and actual size of area at park. Frisk will go to the County building on Thursday to look at records to follow up on questions.
 3. USDA GRANT UPDATE – DeRoche gave updates. Grant contact requested updated financials for township. DeRoche reported that we don't have any definite information yet.
 4. ENGINE HOUSE COMPLETION PROJECTS & PLANS – No meeting yet between Museum and Fire Department to create plans. Charlie Gardner stated he had some ideas to discuss with the Museum. Museum meets again on April 12 at 2:00 p.m. Tabled until after Fire Department and Museum Board meeting.
 5. BLIGHT GRANT THROUGH LAND BANK REMOVAL OF BUILDING FROM TOWNSHIP LOT – The Township Attorney gathered information from Anne Giroux and from the State and was advised to create an Affidavit of Ownership for the property. This was completed, notarized, and registered at the Courthouse. The Land Bank will remove the building at no cost to the Township sometime this summer.
 6. BIDS FOR PROPANE CONTRACTS – The Township does not have a contract with UP Propane. We are in the process of getting information to send out soliciting bids for the contract.
 7. TRUNK OR TREAT – Discussion regarding Trunk or Treat event and options for residents who choose to not participate in the Truck or Treat but who want to hand out their candy from home.
- X. NEW BUSINESS:
1. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY SUPERVISOR – Johnnie Hillis is the Deputy Supervisor.
 2. DPW RECORD KEEPING ASSISTANCE – Boshears asked the board to consider allowing the Deputy Supervisor to help John Howe work on updating inventories and records for DPW. John Howe is willing to work with Johnnie Hillis. Motion by Frisk to allow the Deputy Super work with John on DPW inventories and records, support by DeRoche. Frisk – Aye, DeRoche – Aye, Boshears – Aye, Mattson – Nay. 3 Ayes, 1 Nay, 1 Absent. Motion carried.
 3. DDA LOT PURCHASE - Discussion regarding downtown area public restrooms and pavilion. DDA would like to purchase the property for developing a public area that has public restrooms and a pavilion. More information will be forthcoming at future meetings. No action taken.
 4. ANNUAL NEWSLETTER INFORMATION SUBMISSION – Information for the newsletter must be submitted to Jeremy by the last week in April for May publication. Tentative dates for Dumpster Days are June 7, 9, 10 and August 23, 25, 26.
 5. SUBMISSION OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT – The requests for reimbursements and bills from departments must be turned in to Jeremy by the end of day on the Tuesday before the following Monday's meeting. Departments or committees that need administrative support must request the items a week in advance to allow ample time for Jeremy to complete the request.
- XI. PUBLIC COMMENT (Three Minutes) Comments by J. Leake, Debbie Kinnunen, Scott Gravedoni, Nancy Ferro requested permission for the Museum to hold a Soup and Salad Bar fund raiser on May 4, 2023, from 4-7 p.m. in the Community Building.
- XII. BOARD COMMENT – DeRoche stated that Debbie Kinnunen has a lot of knowledge and he wished she would come and work with board. Kinnunen responded that “You called the cops on my”, and there was an enchange of words between DeRoche and Kinnunen. DeRoche became agitated at being interrupted by Kinnunen and threw his pen down on the table causing it to bounce close to Frisk's

head before it landed on the floor near the front row of guests. Frisk commented on additional information for the grant and the information regarding the addition of the bathrooms as an extra project. Frisk commented on the budget. Mattson commented on the budget. Boshears commented on working on the budget and thanked Laura for her work. Boshears commented on learning from past experiences and thanked everyone for their help and patience. Boshears apologized to Kinnunen for the police being called and she hoped that going forward there would not be any reason to take extreme measures.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT: Boshears adjourned meeting at 7:31p.m.

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