

Minutes
Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Meeting
Tuesday, January 5, 2021 @ 9:00 am
290 West Main Street, Mecosta MI 49332

Call to Order 9:00 am

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mark Klumpp, Jeff Ratledge, Maureen Wolfe and Stephanie McNeal were present. Yo Bellingar was absent.

Fire Chief Allen Sutherby, Sandy Brogan, Dave Lewis, Marlene Schalm and Linda Howard were also present.

Public Comment:

Linda Howard commented that the Mecosta County Road Commission will be asking for a millage. She asked if we had been reimbursing the county for building official services on our agenda. Mark told her that we are communicating with the county's Building Official regarding payment of services.

New Business:

Employee Vacation Pay Out – Both full-time office staff have a considerable amount of unused vacation time. Do we pay for unused vacation time? Do we change our policy manual to pay for a portion of unused vacation time? Will be discussed later.

Dates for Policy Manual and Personnel Manual Review/Update Meetings – Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 10:00 or immediately following regular Board of Trustees meeting.

Reappoint Board of Review Members – Agenda item for 1-12-21 meeting to reappoint Kolina Mako, Kathy Towne and Dennis Morawa to Board of Review as well as alternate Joe Lissuzo.

Resolutions for January Board of Trustees Meeting –

Budget Adjustments R-210112-B

Board of Review Written Petitions R-210112-A

Waive Penalties for Non-Filing of Property Transfer Affidavits R-210112

Unfinished Business:

1. Building Official/Zoning Administrator Search for Replacement: Published in more regional areas this time.
2. Gypsy Moths Survey Results: 1452 acres have been recommended for spraying applications. 715 of those acres are in Canadian Lakes. Supervisor reached out to GM of Canadian Lakes and will discuss with his board possible financial contribution. Discussed possibilities for paying for treatment of Gypsy Moths. Many options for moving forward were discussed. Special meeting to discuss is scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 11:00 am.
3. Valley Court Special Assessment Update: Public Notice was published in The Pioneer on Thursday, December 31, 2020. Notices were mailed to property owners along with the tax roll of property owners and a resolution that was passed by the board. An Affidavit of Mailing was

signed and notarized. A second publication of the public notice will be published next week in The Pioneer.

4. Mecosta County Road Commission Millage: Supervisor Klumpp updated the board on a millage that is being considered by the MCRC. The proposed ballot language indicates that the millage is for two mills for six years. Questions about how the funding will be dispersed.

Reports:

1. Joe Lisuzzo, Recreation Committee: No report.
2. Allen Sutherby, Fire Chief: Meeting with health dept today at 4:00 pm to look at Fire Station One as a possible drive-thru for COVID vaccinations. Received his vaccination last week. Working on FEMA grant, 594 calls last year (down from last year) and working on year-end report.
3. Fire Administrative Committee, Joe Lanz: No report (Allen covered.)
4. Mark Klumpp, Supervisor: Ready for 2021. A lot of positive feedback from year-end review.
5. Maureen Wolfe, Treasurer: Busy collecting winter taxes. 55% collected.
6. Stephanie McNeal, Clerk: When are we taking down the Christmas lights down? Should be soon according to the fire chief.
7. Jeff Ratledge, Trustee: No report.
8. Yo Bellingar, Trustee: No report.

Public Comment:

Dave Lewis – thank you for considering an expenditure on Gypsy Moth control. Do your best to get Canadian Lakes on board. Appreciate everything you have done so far.

Adjourn to adjourn @ 10:35 am by Klumpp, second by Ratledge. 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Stephanie McNeal.