

Unapproved Minutes
MORTON TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING
October 12, 2021, 7:00 pm
Morton Township Hall, 290 West Main Street, MI 49332

Call to Order/Pledge at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Mark Klumpp

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

Public Comments: None.

Consent Agenda:

Approve Agenda Tuesday, October 12, 2021 @ 7:00 pm

Approve minutes of Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 @ 9:00 am

Approve minutes of Special Meeting to Discuss Morton Township Policy Manual and Personnel Manual, Tuesday, September 28, 2021 @ 9:00 am

Approve minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday, October 5, 2021 @ 9:00 am

Motion to approve Consent Agenda by M. Wolfe, second by Y. Bellingar. 5 ayes, 0 nays Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report submitted by M. Wolfe.

Fund Disbursement:

Motion to approve bills paid on September 10, 2021 for the amount of ninety-six thousand, four hundred forty-five dollars and sixty cents (\$96,445.60), payroll paid on September 30, 2021 for the amount of fifty-three thousand, one hundred sixty-three dollars and twenty-five cents (\$53,163.25); and bills paid on September 30, 2021 for the amount of one hundred twenty-four thousand, three hundred fifty-nine dollars and forty-four cents (\$124,359.44) for a total of two hundred seventy-three thousand, nine hundred sixty-eight dollars and twenty-nine cents (\$273,968.29) by M. Wolfe, second by S. McNeal. Roll call vote: Wolfe, yes; McNeal, yes; Ratledge, yes; Bellingar, yes; Klumpp, yes. Motion Carried

Reports:

1. Fire/Rescue – Chief Allen Sutherby:
51 calls for September, 44 were medical.

2. Fire Administration Committee – Chairperson J. Lanz:
Motion for purchase of Ingersoll Rand reciprocating air compressor 80 gallon 5 hp and accessories needed for installation not to exceed \$3380 by S. McNeal, second by J. Ratledge. Roll call vote: McNeal, yes; Ratledge, yes; Wolfe, yes; Bellingar, yes; Klumpp, yes. Motion Carried

Motion for purchase of Rollgliss R550 rope rescue unit with storage case and associated safety equipment and hardware to support rope rescue unit not to exceed \$3750 by S. McNeal, second by M. Klumpp. Roll call vote: McNeal, yes; Klumpp, yes; Ratledge, yes; Bellingar, yes; Wolfe, yes. Motion Carried

3. Planning Commission – J. Ratledge:
Motion to approve the rezoning request for parcel #5411-001-013-003, located at 6488 11 Mile Road, from a R-2/Wetland district to an A-2 (Agricultural) district by J. Ratledge, second by Y. Bellingar. 5 ayes, 0 nays Motion Carried

4. Recreation Committee – J. Lisuzzo:

McNeal reported that members of the Rec Comm attended the Austin Twp meeting last month to share the vision for bike lanes connecting to the White Pine Trail and ask them to consider joining us. More damage on the CSX Trail from motorized vehicles.

New Business:

1. **Motion to approve purchase of picnic table from Polly Products for \$1200 by M. Wolfe, second by Y. Bellingar. Roll call vote: Wolfe, yes; Bellingar, yes; Klumpp, yes; Ratledge, yes; McNeal, yes. Motion Carried**
2. **Motion to approve new trail name, White Pine Mecosta Loop Trail, formerly CSX Trail by S. McNeal, second by Bellingar. 5 ayes, 0 nays Motion Carried**
3. **Motion to approve purchase of new tablet and docking station for Building and Zoning Department not to exceed \$2000 by M. Klumpp, second by M. Wolfe. Roll call vote: Klumpp, yes; Wolfe, yes; McNeal, yes; Ratledge, yes; Bellingar, yes. Motion Carried**
4. **Motion to approve R-211012 Resolution to Encourage Michigan Governor and Legislators to Designate Funding for White Pine Trail Paving and Paving of 16 Miles of Bike Lanes Connecting to the White Pine Trail by S. McNeal, second by J. Ratledge. Roll call vote: McNeal, yes; Ratledge, yes; Wolfe, yes; Klumpp, Bellingar, yes. Motion Carried**
5. **Motion to approve R-211012-A Resolution to Appoint the Clerk and Supervisor to Act on Behalf of Morton Township for the Sale of Property by M. Wolfe, second by Y. Bellingar. Roll call vote: Wolfe, yes; Bellingar, yes; Ratledge, yes; Klumpp, yes; McNeal, yes. Motion Carried**
6. **Motion to approve Application for Farmland Agreement for Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program for North Star Land PA 116 by S. McNeal, second by J. Ratledge. 5 ayes, 0 nays Motion Carried**
7. **Motion to approve hiring of Cory Zandstra as Building Official/Zoning Administrator by M. Klumpp, second by J. Ratledge. Roll call vote: Klumpp, yes; Ratledge, yes; McNeal, yes; Wolfe, yes; Bellingar, yes. Motion Carried**
8. **Motion to approve hiring of Allen Sutherby as Full-Time Fire Chief by M. Klumpp, second by S. McNeal. Roll call vote: Klumpp, yes; McNeal, yes; Ratledge, yes; Bellingar, yes; Wolfe, yes. Motion Carried**
9. **Motion to approve Plan B of personnel manual changes by M. Wolfe, second by S. McNeal. 5 ayes, 0 nays Motion Carried**

Public Comments:

Announcements: Valley Court is being graded today.

Adjourn at 8:00 pm.