**Approved Minutes**

**MORTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 3, 2024, 9:00 AM Morton Township Hall, 290 West Main Street, Mecosta MI 49332**

**Call to Order/Pledge @ 9:00am Roll Call: M Wolfe, J Ratledge, Y Bellinger, C Courtright, M Klumpp Public Comments: none, 4 public present**

**Reports:**

1. Joe Lisuzzo, Recreation Committee-no report
2. Seth Lattimore, Assessor-no report
3. Cory Zandstra, Building and Zoning-no report
4. Allen Sutherby, Fire Chief-71 calls for December, 752 calls for 2023
5. Joe Lanz, Fire Administrative Committee- no report

**New Business:**

Approve/Deny Planning Commission recommendation for rezoning Cook property parcel- the board would like to see Mr Cook get permit for driveway from MDOT and make sure he meets deceleration lane requirements. The board will table for now.

Review of Morton Township Personnel Manual-Look over manual in January and next month we will discuss changes.

2024 Spongy Moth Application-Survey and report went up $600. Hamilton Helicopters quote of $25,749.90 for 306 acres.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Roads for County Road Commission project-Still needing clarification from Tim Nestle.
2. Fire millage renewal-Equipment and housing this year on August election
3. Building/Zoning official-Proposals to Cory Zandstra’s position. Possibly hire someone else to do zoning. Will wait to hear back from legal counsel also.
4. Blantech invoice for hanging speakers in hall was $1700.

**Reports:**

1. Mark Klumpp, Supervisor-none
2. Maureen Wolfe, Treasurer-30% of winter taxes collected, asked to look into diaper changing station in bathroom
3. Camie Courtright, Clerk-emails regarding proposed RV Park
4. Jeff Ratledge, Trustee-A resident wants to rezone some property that is R4 to R1 for son to build a house. Jeff Cross asked to table until they can look into it more. Received 3 quotes for Master Plan and will be hopefully selected at next planning commission meeting.
5. Yo Bellingar, Trustee -trees down at park, people looking for community service to possibly help cut up

**Public Comments: Mike Burnard-wanted to confirm that we are considering Spongy Moth application as successful and are planning to continue.**

**Carol Sohn-Asked if we have a map of Spongy Moth application area. She wanted to confirm Oak drive was on schedule.**

**Sandy Brogan-Trails that township has invested in she cannot find signs. She wanted to know when are committee of whole meeting minutes approved?**

**Adjourn: 10:38am**

Respectfully submitted,

Camie Courtright

Morton Township Clerk