

Homestead Township Regular Board Meeting

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Monday April 4, 2022 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER – Cooley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL

Present - Bess Butler, Pat Delorme, Mike Mead, Tia Cooley

Absent – Karen Mallon due to sickness

SPECIAL HEARING – BUDGET PRESENTATION

- Present Budget & Discuss – Cooley mentioned that updates were made to show the current YTD numbers. Also, made adjustment to wages for ZA and Park Manager to make sure we are following the minimum salary requirements for the state.
- Budget Amendments – Motion made by Cooley to increase the Cemetery Cost Center to \$19,824 Support Mead, Butler – yes, DeLorme – yes, Mead – yes, Cooley – yes. Motion Carried.
- Cooley opened the floor to the public for discussion or questions regarding the budget. No questions or comments made.
- General Appropriations Act Resolution – Motion by Cooley to accept the General Appropriations Act as presented. Support by Butler, Butler – yes, DeLorme – yes, Mead – yes, Cooley – yes. Motion Carried.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion by Cooley to approve agenda with removal of Platte River Park Resolution and 5-year plan, with addition of Ball Park Tree Removal, Support DeLorme, All Ayes

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by Cooley to approve minutes as presented. Support Butler, All Ayes

CORRESPONDENCE – Letter from Morgan & Associates that they are accepting new clients for audits, Invitation from Mike Meyers for the 2022 MTA Educational Conference

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Cleanup Days May 21st and Sept 17th, TKS will be fixing the park bathroom soon

REPORTS

BOR – Gary Macchioni presented details on the Board of Review – 17 Veteran Exemptions, 6 poverty exemptions, 5 Valuation assessments. BOR is also in need of another alternate.

Zoning Administrator – “Spring has sprung”, Marvin has had a lot of correspondence including 17-calls, and increase in land division requests, pole barn requests, as well as light complaints.

Assessor – Written Report

Parks – HARP accepted a contract bid from AJ’s, they are also planning a park cleanup day “between now and mosquito season” for brush, fencing, and other cleanup items. HARP also is asking the Township to complete a CIP or 5-year plan

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so they can continue applying for grants. The township will be reaching out to Wade Trim and also had some minor discussion at the meeting with Marvin who has a business that offers those services as well.

Planning Committee – Had their meeting and elected officers. Plan to announce meetings to members 3-5 days in advance of meeting date. 2022 schedule has been posted as the 3rd Monday of every month at 6:00pm, no exceptions.

Fire Chief – absent, written report. Trustee Mead also mentioned that the proceeds from the pancake breakfasts will be going to the Walterhouse family. The fire department is also getting ready for fire training which is every Tuesday for the next 6 months. Once everyone is trained there should be a total of 11 on staff.

Commissioner – no report

Treasurer – Written. Working on a few personal property taxes, otherwise tax season is slowing down.

Clerk - Written

Motion by Cooley to accept reports as presented. Support Butler. All Ayes Motion Carried.

FINANCE

- Approve Payables – Motion by Cooley to approve payables with additions of Michigan Assessing Services and Fire Department Fuel. Support DeLorme, Butler-yes, DeLorme-yes, Mead-yes, Cooley-yes. Motion Carried

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- **Flag Pole repairs** – Township Hall Flag Pole needs repairs to pulley system. Cooley will reach out to Bay Supply to get it repaired.
- **Cleanup Day** – Approve rate – Motion by Cooley to accept the billing rate of \$56.00 per compacted yard for Trash pickup. Support Butler. Butler-yes, DeLorme-yes, Mead-yes, Cooley-yes. Motion Carried.
- **Discuss listing of Brush Truck** – Motion by Cooley to list brush truck on “my bid” for \$10,000. Support Mead. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- **Expiring/Renewing Contracts** – Discussion regarding positing the Park Manager position. Motion by DeLorme to list position in the paper. Support Butler. All Ayes Motion Carried.
- **Library Contract** – Motion by Cooley to accept Library contract agreement. Support Mead. Butler-yes, DeLorme-yes, Mead-yes, Cooley-yes. Motion Carried.
- **Ball Park Tree Removal** – Trustee Mead mentioned that a tree has fallen over in the park and will need to have someone clean it up and haul it away. Motion by Cooley to advertise the job. Support Butler. All Ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT - none

ADJOURNMENT – Motion by Cooley to adjourn the meeting at 7:12pm. Butler Support. All Ayes.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Tia Cooley, Supervisor