

Sharon Township Board Meeting Minutes

APPROVED

November 7, 2013

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The Sharon Township Board held its November board meeting on Thursday, November 7, 2013. Supervisor Psarouthakis called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. There were 7 public attendees.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was said.

ROLL CALL: Farmer, Mikel, Psarouthakis, Simons, Hopkins: PRESENT

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Psarouthakis removed item 6: Presentation of the Eisenhower center, as that occurred last month.

Mikel added Snow Bids to old business and Hopkins added The Manchester Trail to new business.

Motion by Mikel to approve the amended agenda as presented, supported by Simons. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE October 3, 2013 MINUTES:

Change # of people living in the Eisenhower Center from 9 to 4.

Motion by Farmer to approve the Oct 3, 2013 minutes as presented, supported by Simons. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Resident had a question about what was added to the agenda.

SUPERVISORS REPORT:

Psarouthakis reported that he attended a broadband conference with representative Driskell- it was put on by Connect Michigan. He also gave a follow up on the 3 day attic clean-up project and re-insulation. He attended the Chelsea Wellness groups meeting where discussion about local resources took place. He was asked to attend the Community Resource center to help in the decision process for awards they were giving out on 11/7 at the Chelsea Community Hospital. He also went on a tour of the Eisenhower center and walked the entire property- he was very impressed with the amount of work they have put into it and how beautiful it is. Psarouthakis reported that the ADA Grant Application is in and we are waiting to hear about approval. He looked into our current township insurance that was up for renewal and he is going to investigate further for next year. He also met one-on-one with Sheriff Clayton and discussed upcoming issues with patrol, etc.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Simons reported that the Sharon United Methodist escrow has been returned. The next bond payment is due Dec. 1st and winter taxes will be going out Dec. 1st.

Simons also reported that he and Mikel met with the accountant and reconciled taxes and tied up year end. He wanted to inform everyone that after having now met with the accountant himself he is confident she is a great asset to the township.

Motion by Mikel to approve the Financial Report, supported by Hopkins. Motion carried.

ZONING REPORT: Administrator, Wilson reported four new compliances. He says it's been busy! He is also continuing working on the civil infraction ordinance final presentation which will be coming in the near future.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: PC chair, Lewis reported that they were working on ordinance changes which they have forwarded to the planner, he has presented an estimate to the board in which he is seeking funding approval. Lewis added that he would like an additional 6 hours added to the current estimate to look into the "Right to Farm Act."

Mikel noted that money for meeting with the planner has been budgeted for and this estimate is keeping within that budget.

Motion by Mikel to approve the presented estimate plus an additional 6 hours with the planner, supported by Simons. Motion carried.

CHELSEA AREA CONSTRUCTION AGENCY REPORT: Hopkins reported that the CACA real estate property needs to have a new mortgage in place by Feb 14th. He also reports that the Chevy dealership is now open, last month CACA brought in just over \$73,000.00, and in the future they will be working on a new employee handbook.

MLB: no report

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Town hall Improvements:** Psarouthakis reported that the grant has been submitted, drawings made up, and the board is waiting to hear about grant money before moving forward.
- b. **Cemetery:** Psarouthakis reported that the cemetery mapping is set to be complete by the end of the year. However, in the process it was brought to the board's attention that the Heim Rd cemetery is in very rough shape and a large portion of it has not been being mowed/ maintained for what appears to be years. He suggests that the board look into that issue next year.
- c. **Attic:** Discussed earlier in Supervisor Report.

Motion by Mikel to amend the budget and increase the building repair budget by \$5,500.00 to cover the attic/bat removal repair, supported by Psarouthakis.
Motion carried.

- d. **Logo:** Psarouthakis is working with the local schools art classes and more information will be coming in the future.

- e. **Snow Removal:** no bids came in from the ad in the paper so Psarouthakis said the board will seek out bids.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Broadband:** Washtenaw county meeting worked to come up with a survey that will be sent out to residents.
- b. **Manchester Trail:** 2014 building will begin.

APPROVE BILLS: Mikel presented the October report and her current November report.

Motion by Psarouthakis to approve warrant reports as presented, supported by Hopkins.
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:11 pm.

Chelsea Mikel

Sharon Township Clerk