

Goodwell Minute Notes  
Nov 30, 2022

- ◇ John T. called meeting to order 7:00 pm:
  - ✘ John T., Rachel B., Tim M., Bob B. and Jennifer W. present.
  - ✘ Public:
    - ☺ George & Denise Gemski                      ☺ David Grveles                      ☺ John Miedema
    - ☺ Paul & Janet Fetterley                      ☺ Joe Wozniak                      ☺ Michele Maxson
    - ☺ Greg & Colleen Olson                      ☺ Jim Maike                      ☺ Luke Eising
    - ☺ Shelley & Clint Cook                      ☺ Laurie Deater                      ☺ Shayne & Scott Fifer
- ✘ Pledge of Allegiance recited
- ◇ Email was sent out with minutes from October 26, 2022 meeting. Rachel motioned to accept the minutes, Tim 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed. Minutes posted to the township web site.
- ◇ Public Comment:
  - ✘ Jim Maike: TrueStream in much of Goodwell. The company moved work to Wayland for a bit, in Lincoln township now. The caged area on N side of M20 off Spruce is a sub-station owned by power company.
- ◇ Rachel: **Treasurer's report** as of October 28, 2022:
  - ✘ Have \$150,918.54 total.
  - ✘ Payments were \$7,724.59. Checks for election payroll and supplies was largest cost.
  - ✘ Revenue was \$10,862.57.
  - ✘ Big Prairie township fire department check to help with respirators will be voided and restored to arpa funds.
  - ✘ Bob motioned to accept treasurer's report as presented and pay bills, Tim 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed.
- ◇ Bob: **Zoning report**:
  - ✘ Zoning apps – none
  - ✘ Contacted by a solar development company with guideline information. Passed on to John Miedema. Many counties/townships are not allowing solar, some have had success at stopping for now. Beginning to be a big push for solar, the development company could meet with planning commission.
  - ✘ George & Denise Gemski
    - ⊃ Looking for special use permit for boarding kennel. Gave information to Bob, who circulated to board members. Bob gave recommendation to talk to animal control for what information they can provide, to neighbors to head them up and get idea of thoughts, to Jackie (assessor) regarding what this would mean for assessment. The next planning board is February 7<sup>th</sup>, they could attend and discuss.
    - ⊃ May need variance, which would mean a public meeting. May loose homestead status.
- ◇ **Planning report: Tim**:
  - ✘ Meeting: Had public input. Debated on 2 temporary event ordinance proposals, these were tabled due to impasse. Interviewed 3 board member candidates. Then closed meeting and board discussed and voted on all candidates. Pass the names of Laurie Deaters, Shelly Cook, and Dave Grevles to the main board.
  - ✘ Recommended Dave Fast be chair on Planning Board of Appeals. John asked him, he declined, but is willing to be on Board of Review.
  - ✘ Next Meeting February 7. Will meet every 2 months on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday.
- ◇ Jennifer: **Clerk's Report**
  - ✘ Audit for Unemployment Insurance completed. Good, with note that any work done on township property by a company must have a certificate of insurance to prove they do have insurance, or the township must pay to have them covered to work. Jennifer is working with Don Kaiser.
  - ✘ State of Michigan sent update notification for Qualifying statement and arpa fund reporting support. Jennifer is researching.
- ◇ Old Business:
  - ✘ New Trustee Tim Maxson. We thank Trustee Paul Fetterley for all of his service.
- ◇ New Business:
  - ✘ Michigan Chloride as brining company. The chloride treatment does last longer. The best times to apply are end of May and last of July/beginning of August. Tim motioned we continue using Michigan Chloride for bringing our roads, Rachel 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed. John will call and schedule.

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- ✘ Discussion on road projects. Pine is agreed to as worst pavement. County wants a wish list that they will give estimates on. Then we can decide. 5 mile is looking bad already, it was slick in last snow. Luke noted the vegetation at some corners is quite built up. Who is responsible? If in the right of way, the county. Let the supervisor know, and also call in to county. Squeaky wheel syndrome.
- ✘ Recommendations from Planning board for members. In reviewing Dave Grevels, Laurie Deter, and Michele Cook
  - ≥ Tim motioned to approve recommendations from Planning Board for members, Jennifer 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - ≥ Tim: good interviews, lots of questions and helpful answers.
  - ≥ Bob: question of 2 from same household, MTA states not denied, but not encouraged. Questions the desire to work with zoning administrator.
  - ≥ Jennifer: Planning is relied on to make best choices, 2 from same household is not a reason to deny
  - ≥ Rachel: variety of demographics not met
  - ≥ Vote: Rachel – no, Jennifer – yes, Bob – no, Tim – yes, John – yes appointed as members.
- ✘ Bob motioned to appoint Dave Fast to Board of Review, Tim 2<sup>nd</sup>. One public comment made in regard to Mr Fast.
  - ≥ Vote: Tim – yes, Bob – yes, John – yes, Jennifer – abstain, Rachel – yes appointed as member.
- ✘ There is still an opening for a chairperson on Zoning Board of Appeals. This will have to be addressed if that board needs to meet.
- ✘ The light poles are not working correctly, John will contact Great Lakes Energy to get them worked on.
- ◇ Tim motioned to adjourn, Rachel 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed. Meeting ended 8:15
- ◇ Next meetings:
  - ✘ Township meeting December 28<sup>th</sup>, 7pm
  - ✘ Planning meeting February 7<sup>nd</sup>, 7pm 2023