GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Monday, October 25, 2021

All board members were in attendance

<u>Call to order</u>: The Greenbush Township meeting was called to order by Supervisor Thelen with the reciting of the pledge of allegiance

<u>Approval if the agenda:</u> A motion was made by Kindel to accept the agenda as presented.

- * Seconded by Graham
- * Motion passed

<u>Clinton County Sheriff Report</u>: A printed reported was presented to the board members for review by Clerk Smith via E-mail. Our County Sheriff was not in attendance.

<u>CAAS Report:</u> Supervisor Thelen reported from the meeting that had taken place the previous week. The report included the purchase of a new ambulance, it is 240,00.00 vehicle that is well needed and felt they are in a good financial position to be able to purchase the ambulance. A couple new hires were a well welcomed addition and the weekly average runs seem to be at a steady pace.

<u>Reading and Approval of Prior Months Minutes: A</u> motion was made by Roof to approve the prior months minutes and to dispense with their reading.

- * Seconded by Kindel
- * Motion passed

Treasures Report and Approval of Bill Payment: Treasurer Roof presented the report with the profit and loss sheets. Roof also presented and asked that bills 14025-14045 along with EFTPS and ACH be approved for payment. Supervisor Thelen had in question check # 14026 in the amount of \$952.00 to the Clinton County Clerk. Roof responded that the check should have been voided and asked Clerk to make note of it in the minutes and that the check was voided and the correct bill payment amount should be \$72,486.92. A motion was made by Graham to accept the Treasures report as given and to pay bills 14025-14026 with the deletion of check # 14026

- * Seconded by Kindel
- * Motion passed

Correspondence: On going correspondence with the State of Michigan for the Eureka Cemetery and Township application, Clerk Smith informed the board of a webinar that she has registered for to learn more about the ARPA, a house on DeWitt Rd. has numerous sheds on the premises that zoning is not in favor of.

<u>Public Comment (on anything other than agenda items)</u>: Mr. Whitford is still concerned with the truck traffic on Welling Rd. The board appreciated his concern and assured him that if there was more they could do from their previous attempts that they would.

<u>County Commissioner Report- Kam Washburn:</u> The B of C 2022 budget has passed and 76% of property taxes fund the county operations. The budget does not include the Cares Act and ARPA funds. Washburn did report that there has been a loss of revenue from the county jail. The county feels that they can move ahead with a study for broad band to the county. An 18mil bond was applied for new Road Commission buildings. The well needed trail and road repair at Motz Park has also been completed. And The 911 changeover is on track with the new equipment in place for the Rainbow Lake tower.

<u>Assessor Report-Beth Botke</u>: Botke reported that a lot of land and residential property sales and construction has and is still taking place and soon will be tax time again.

Old Business: * Road Report-*Doug Steffen and Mike Trotter of the Clinton County Road Commission were in attendance with an update on the current Scott Rd. project. They were in agreement with the Board that LOTS of rain held back the completion of this project. But the project should be complete in the next two weeks. A comment from a resident was that the company hired for the Scott Rd. project were very considerate to the people living along that stretch of Scott Rd. The RC will have a virtual meeting with. M-Dot in December with the hopes of finding what the outcome of road projects will be in Michigan. Steffen also reminded the Board that in the fall they would be meeting with our Township to talk about upcoming road projects. Much appreciation was given to the RC for there communication to the upkeep of our Township roads. * Trustee Kindel was asked by Board members if he could correspond to the residents that live in Eureka on Freemont St. whether or not they would like to attend November's meeting so the Board could further explain the situation of there street concerns. *A concerned resident had called Supervisor Thelen in wanting to know if anything could be done with the jake brake noise on Kinley Rd. Steffen said he would be glad to put in a call to the cheese factory and update them on these concerns.

*ARPA- Still no update or confirmation on the expenditure of these funds to our Township.

*Snow Removal Bids- Motion was made by Graham to accept the snow removal bid from Smith Landscape for the upcoming year and to have clerk Smith check into the possibility of a 3 year contract with this company.

- * Seconded by Kindel
- * Roll call vote was taken all Ayes Motion passed

New Business: None for the month of October 2021

Additional Public Comment: None

Meeting Adjournment: Motion by Graham to adjourn the meeting

- * Seconded by Kindel
- * Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at

Next meeting November 22,2021

Lee Thelen, Supervisor

Ramona Smith, Clerk