

APPROVED MINUTES  
PINE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Hansen, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

PRESENT: Edwin Hansen, Supervisor; Marla Sprague, Clerk; Rachel Pitcher, Treasurer; Lynwood Cannon, Trustee; William H. Burr, Trustee

STAFF PRESENT: Linda Hansen, Deputy Supervisor; Barbara Kaaikala, Deputy Clerk; Steve Buchholz, Zoning Administrator; Becky Crawford, Road Committee Secretary

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Cannon moved, supported by Burr, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC VOICE

Robert Shilling reported having spoken with representatives of DEQ regarding manure runoff on roads created by horses pulling Amish buggies, and the Governor's office, who informed him that townships can create ordinances to deal with this issue.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Burr moved, supported by Cannon, to approve the November 12, 2019 Minutes. Motion carried.

Pitcher moved, supported by Burr, that work done by Richard Shindorf as approved at the November Board meeting, be first approved by the Board. Motion carried.

TREASURER/FINANCIAL REPORTS (on file)

November and corrected October reports were submitted by Pitcher. Approval was tabled until the January meeting to give Hansen time to look over the reports.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Buchholz reported having processed no zoning permits and no land division applications.

He has drafted a final letter to send to Mr. Huckins. The Petersheim and Phillips cases will be referred to the Township Attorney. There are two new blight cases – the Michael Rush residence behind the Langston Bar has blight and stagnant swimming pool water, and the Jack Almy residence was reported to have blight and people living on the property in uninhabitable buildings. Buchholz will contact Mid Michigan Health Department regarding the stagnant water issue. Buccholz found no blight at the Almy residence. The sheds were reported to Buccholz as being only used for smoking purposes during the day, so as not to create odor in Almy's residence.

ROAD REPORT

Cannon had no official report.

FIRE REPORT

Burr reported a meeting on November 11, with 25 firemen trained on vehicle maintenance and chimney fires. Maple Valley has sold the fire truck that was for sale, and good progress is being made on the Trufant fire building, with electrical work remaining to be completed. The Coral building has been leased to the Road Commission of Montcalm County.

CEMETERY REPORT - None.

OLD BUSINESS

MISS DIG POLICY (attached)

Pitcher moved, supported by Burr, to adopt the Policy as prepared by Sprague.

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MONTCALM CHAPTER MTA MEETING

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at the American Legion hall in Stanton.

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The Montcalm chapter of Michigan Townships Association meeting will be held at the American Legion in Stanton on Tuesday, December 10, 2019. Ed & Linda Hansen, Lynwood Cannon, Rachel & Sue Pitcher, Terry & Becky Crawford, and Marla Sprague will attend.

NEW BUSINESS

SUPERVISOR REPORT - None.

MUSKEGON RIVER WATERSHED ASSEMBLY

Pitcher moved, supported by Cannon, to support the Muskegon River Watershed Assembly with \$50.00. Motion carried.

BOARD OF REVIEW

Board of Review will be held on December 10, 2019 at 1:30 PM at Douglass Township Hall.

TOWNSHIP HALL MICROWAVE

The Township Hall microwave has failed. Pitcher will check to see whether she has one to donate. Pitcher moved, supported by Burr, to authorize Pitcher to purchase a new microwave at a cost not to exceed \$100.00 if she has no microwave to donate. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Pitcher moved, supported by Burr, to pay checks 1628-1656 in the amount of \$9,702.28 for monthly bills. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Pitcher moved, supported by Sprague, to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted.

Marla Sprague

Marla Sprague, Clerk