

Sidney Township
Minutes
December 3, 2018

Supervisor Peterman called the Sidney Township Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:

Peterman, Wills, Stover, Leyrer, Welder

AGENDA:

Items added to the agenda: MTA under New Business; Police Protection Agreement and Derby Lake Burning Trash Ordinance under Old Business. Motion by Stover to approve the agenda with the additions, supported by Welder. All in favor. Motion carried.

MINUTES:

Motion by Leyrer to accept Board minutes from November 5, 2018. Supported by Welder. All in favor. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Peterman reported that the Road Commission meeting is Wednesday, December 5th at 11:20 a.m.

SHERIFF'S REPORT:

The Sheriff report was presented. Deputy Schafer will be returning as the assigned deputy beginning January 2019.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Dave Overholt addressed the board concerning the newly passed recreational marijuana laws. He knows the board opted out of the medical marijuana options and wondered if they planned to do the same for the recreational options. He presented his ideas on why the board should not opt out.

A motion was made by Welder and supported by Leyrer to opt out of the options for recreational marijuana for cultivation, distribution, transport, production or any other commercialization involved in the new addition to Michigan's RM law at this time. Supported by Leyrer. Stover and Wills would like more information about the law before the decision is made. Roll Call vote: Stover-no, Wills-no, Peterman-yes, Leyrer-yes, Welder-yes. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Stover presented the Treasurer's Report. Motion by Leyrer to approve Treasurer's Report. Supported by Welder. All in favor. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Wills presented bills for board approval. She asked if bills could be submitted for payment by the Friday before the board meeting. Motion by Stover to accept and pay the bills with correction to show the amounts for board members are for wages.. Supported by Welder. All in favor. Motion carried. (Additional correction to show that check #11688 for Dale Main was voided as his wages were already included in check #11698)

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Leyrer reported that the regular planning commission meeting will be on December 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The attorney is making the final corrections to the park and recreation plan.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

John Johansen and Adam Petersen were present:

John thanked the board for his association with the township and wished them luck in future endeavors. Adam said he had attended the county organization meeting.

ZONING REPORT:

Dale Main was present to deliver the Zoning report. The property at 2551 Hansen that had been cited to clean up has been sold to the owner's uncle. He is working to get the property cleaned up. A letter will have to be sent to the new owner before any tickets can be issued.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. The box for holding the tables has been finished. Thank you Ray for donating your time to build the box.
- B. Police Protection Agreement. The agreement was presented to the board last month by Sheriff Williams. Montcalm has approved the agreement. A motion was made by Stover to approve the agreement. Supported by Leyrer. All in favor except Welder. Motion carried.
- C. Derby Lake Ordinance.
The final copy of the ordinance for the Derby Lake trash burning ban was presented. Motion to approve the ordinance was made by Leyrer. Supported by Welder. Roll call vote: Stover-yes, Wills-yes, Peterman-yes, Leyrer-yes, Welder-yes. Motion carried. Leyrer will get the ordinance to the Daily News for publication. The ordinance will become effective on the day of publication.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. MTA Meeting is December 11 at the Vestaburg Church sponsored by the Road Commission.
- B. Sewer O&M:
Shawn Wheat brought a pump like those used in the sewer systems around Derby and Nevins Lakes. He explained that the cost to replace the pump has gone up about \$300-\$400 since the start of the system. Cost of a pump is now about \$2600. There was discussion on the rate increases coming up next year. Welder reported that he talked to Sandy Raines, Drain Commissioner and was told additional monies will be applied to the bond in December.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Suggests that pump repairs could be charged to the property owner instead of being paid by the O&M funds.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Stover to adjourn. Supported by Welder. All in favor. Motion carried.

Carrie L. Wills
Clerk