

CASCO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021 @ 7:00PM

Approved 11/15/2021

Call to Order: Overhiser called meeting to order at 7:00pm and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Overhiser, Brenner, Macyauski, Fleming, Clevenger, Tom Jessup, County Commissioner and Bob Sherwood, Fennville District Library Board member in person and 3 citizens by zoom.

Absent: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

**Reports:**

- Police: Deputy Cano was present to give a report and reminded everyone to fill out the property check forms if you are going to be away.
- County: Tom Jessup gave a report concerning issues with the county.
- Library: Bob Sherwood reported that the Librarian for the Fennville District Library, Theresa Klein, has been named the State Librarian of the Year award.
- Clerk:

Cheri presented the minutes for the Sept. 20, 2021 Regular Meeting. Dan made motion to approve the 9/20/21 minutes. Kenny supported. No discussion or corrections. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Cheri made a motion to amend the budget of the following accounts:

new account created

101-265-803 Technical Support in the amount of \$13,142.50. This account was created for expenses for I.T. Right expenses.

101-253-705.001 Treasurer Office Assistant	\$ 86.00
101-528-970.000 Capital Outlay-Transfer Station	\$16,600.00
101-702-803.001 Zoning Consultant Fees	\$ 1,973.50
Road	
204-446-871.000 Road Fund-Gravel program	\$ 8,280.51
Fire	
206-336-991.000 Debt Service Principal	\$19,000.00
206-336-992.000 Debt Service Interest	\$ 4,860.01
Cemetery	
209-567-802.000 Cemetery Maintenance-mowing	\$ 2,000.00

Paul supported. All votes in favor. Motion Carried.

We received an invoice from Allegan County Road Commission for 71<sup>st</sup> St. paving from 105<sup>th</sup> to 107<sup>th</sup> in the amount of \$216,443.63.

Cheri made a motion to pay the \$216,443.63 invoice from Allegan County Road Commission for the paving of 71<sup>st</sup> St. from 105<sup>th</sup> to 107<sup>th</sup>. Paul supported. No discussion. All votes in favor. Motion Carried.

We do not have a November election this year.

I.T. Right is coming on October 19, 2021 to start the networking setup.

- Treasurer:

Kenny Clevenger, Treasurer. The account balances as of 9/30/21 are as follow:

General Fund	balance	\$544,600.01
Road Fund	balance	\$813,866.30
Fire Fund	balance	\$530,695.83
Police Fund	balance	\$188,204.43
Parks & Recreation	balance	\$111,682.00
Cemetery Fund	balance	\$108,983.76
Senior Services Fund	balance	\$132,835.38
Collected Tax Account	balance	\$1,887,390.56

Kenny made motion to approve the following bills in the amount of \$82,324.76:

Eft 89	State of Michigan	\$815.78
Eft 90	Aflac	\$427.96
Eft 91	Federal taxes	\$5,062.53
Eft92	State of Michigan	\$834.86
Check#27143 thru 27193		\$75,183.63

Cheri supported. No discussion or corrections. All votes in favor. Motion Carried

- Parks & Recreation:

Paul Macyauski reported that Pam Blough is working on items that need to be done for the grant and the committee, also, has proposed a 2021 Recreation Plan Survey Questions that will help them come up with some goals and objectives to help with their plan.

Paul made the motion to printing of survey cards and distribution at a cost under \$2,000.00 which is part of the required process for the grant that we have applied for. Cheri supported. All votes in favor. Motion Carried.

Allan mentioned the bathroom cleaning at the Preserve, Baylor's doesn't service the toilets in the winter time, asked if he could approach Robin or someone that cleans for the township if they would take care of them during the winter months. These bathrooms are used all year long.

- Planning Commission:

Dan Fleming reported that they have a conditional rezone application in Miami Park for this meeting, they have received a lot of emails about this application and the application of a Day Care from last months meeting to vote on this week.

- ZBA:

There is a meeting coming up.

- SHAES:

They continue to keep up on their training and they recently went to Muskegon on beach safety information.

- SHAWSA:

Allan reported that they discussed the situation in Benton Harbor and their problem is because they didn't do what they were suppose to do and moethey are getting money to help the situation and South Haven is doing what they are suppose to do and funding the repairs themselves. They are sending a letter to the Governor concerning this issue.

OLD BUSINESS:

- EROSION COMMITTEE:

The erosion committee met and the next meeting they will be talking about solutions.

NEW BUSINESS:

- TRANSITION OF NEW ASSESSOR & BUILDING INSPECTOR

Overhiser reported how well the transition has been going with the township's new Assessor, Kyle Harris, new Building Inspector, Eric Davis, and the new Sheriff Deputy, Cesar Cano.

- DISCUSS THE 22/23 MEETING CALENDAR

It was discussed that this is the time of year to make changes in the calendar, if there is a reason that the third Monday of the month doesn't work this would be the time to change it. We will have the new schedule for the coming year at November's meeting.

- TOWNSHIP OF EXCELLENCE

Part of the 22/23 year meeting calendar schedule MTA Township of Excellence we can apply for portions of that, this is something we can think about applying for.

- NEW CHAIRS

Cheri presented pictures of Herman Miller chairs to replace the present chairs used for meetings.

It was decided to get 8 new chairs to use for meetings, and something else for office chairs. It was agreed by the entire board that we need to replace the present chairs.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

OTHER BUSINESS:

Clay Grieffendorf mentioned that he was looking into buying the property next door to him to build a pole barn to have for storage and he was told he couldn't do that unless there was a house on the property. Clay continued to say that if the property is agriculture you can do almost anything with your property but with residential property there are a lot of restrictions of what you can and can't do. Allan agreed with Clay the issue.

Allan announced that we are having an open house for Alfred on Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3:00pm.

Allan made motion to adjourn. Paul supported. All votes in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM.

Minutes Respectively Submitted By,  
Cheryl Brenner, Casco Township Clerk