

ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP
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St. Clair Township Board Meeting
 March 18, 2019
 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Boulier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll Call:
 Present: Trustees Kays, Boeck, Mollan & Hovis, Clerk Skonieczny and Treasurer Hanrahan.

1) Moved by Trustee Kays. Seconded by Treasurer Hanrahan to accept the minutes of the March 4, 2019 Township Board Meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

2) Moved by Clerk Skonieczny. Seconded by Trustee Kays to pay all bills.

GENERAL FUND		
S. CADREAU	HALL RENTAL REFUND	50.00
POSTMASTER	ELECTION POSTAGE	350.00
PSI PRINTING SYSTEMS	ELECTION SUPPLIES	71.28
21ST CENTURY	PUBLICATIONS	408.60
SCC RESA	COMPUTER SERVICES	214.84
SCC HEALTH DEPT	SOIL EROSION PERMIT (PARK GRANT)	400.00
AT & T	PHONES	393.35
MICHIGAN.COM	PUBLICATIONS	22.00
SEMCO ENERGY	HEATING	291.88
TELCOM CORP	REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE-PHONES	110.00
CITY OF MARYSVILLE	RESPONSE COSTS	185.00
DTE ENERGY	STREETLIGHTS	2,057.54
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	4,554.49
INSPECTION FUND		
SEMBOIA	RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP	60.00
	TOTAL INSPECTION FUND	60.00
SEWER FUND		
SEMCO ENERGY	GENERATOR	17.39
CITY OF ST. CLAIR	SEWER TREATMENT	14,511.84
	TOTAL SEWER FUND	14,529.23
WATER FUND		
PAYMENT TO WATER FUND		7000.00
ETNA SUPPLY CO	WATER METERS / REPAIRS & MAINTENCE	3,422.01
CITY OF ST. CLAIR	WATER PURCHASE	20,698.98
	TOTAL WATER FUND	31,120.99
	TOTAL ALL FUNDS	50,264.71

Roll Call: Yes- Trustees Kays, Boeck, Mollan, Hovis, Treasurer Hanrahan, Clerk Skonieczny & Supervisor Boulier.
 Motion Carried.

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3) Moved by Clerk Skonieczny. Seconded by Trustee Mollan to adopt Ordinance #193:

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 186 of St Clair Township by the amendment of the following:

The Township of St Clair ordains:

The current section of 3F & Section 4 and 7A be deleted and replaced with the following language.

Section 1. Short Title.

This ordinance shall be known and may be sighted as the “2019 Fireworks Ordinance”.

Section 2. Purpose.

This is an ordinance to provide for the regulation of the ignition, discharge, and use of consumer fireworks as allowed under the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, MCL28.451 ET SEQ.

Section 3. Definitions.

As used in this ordinance, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

- A. “APA standard 87-1” means 2001 APA standards 87-1, standard for the construction and Approval for transportation of fireworks, novelties and theatrical pyrotechnics, published by the American Pyrotechnics Association of Bethesda, MD.
- B. “Consumer fireworks” means fireworks devices that are designed to comply with the construction, Chemical composition and labeling regulations promulgated by the United States Consumer Protection Safety Commission under 16 CFR parts 1500 and 1507, and that are listed in APA Standard 87-1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, or 3.5. Consumer fireworks do not include low-impact fireworks.
- C. “Fireworks” means any composition or device, except for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, deflagration or detonation.
- D. “Low Impact Fireworks” means ground and handheld sparkling devices as that phrase is defined Under APA standard 87-1, 3.1.1.1 to 3.1.1.8 and 3.5.
- E. “Minor” means an individual who is less than 18 years of age.
- F.
 - 11:00 a.m. on December 31 – 1:00 a.m. on January 1
 - 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 p.m. on the Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Memorial Day
 - 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 p.m. on June 29 and 30 and July 1,2,3 and 4.
 - 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 p.m. on July 5, if that date is a Friday or Saturday
 - 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 p.m. on the Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day

Section 4. Ignition, Discharge, and Use of Consumer Fireworks.

A person shall not ignite, discharge, or use consumer fireworks except as listed in Section 3F.

Section 5. Possession of consumer fireworks by a minor.

A minor shall not possess consumer fireworks.

Section 6. Determination of Violation: Seizure.

If an enforcement officer determines that a violation of this ordinance has occurred, the officer may seize the Fireworks as evidence of the violation.

Section 7. Penalty

A. Civil Infraction. All violations of this ordinance shall be civil infractions, and upon conviction Thereof, shall be punishable by a fine of not less than Five hundred (\$500.00) dollar nor more than One thousand (\$1000.00) dollars. With \$500 of the fine remitted to the local law enforcement agency responsible for enforcing the ordinance.

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B. Disposal of Evidence. Following the final disposition of a finding of responsibility for violating this ordinance, the Township may dispose of, or destroy, any consumer fireworks retained as evidence in that prosecution.

C. Costs of Storage and Disposal. In addition to any other penalty, a person found responsible for a violation of this ordinance shall be required to reimburse the Township for the costs of storing, disposing of, or destroying consumer fireworks that were confiscated for a violation of this ordinance.

Section 8. Severability.

This ordinance and each of the various parts, sections, subsections, sentences, phrases, and clauses hereof are declared to be severable. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, phrase, or clause is determined to be valid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is hereby provided that the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. Repeal.

All Ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 10. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective 30 days after publication.

Section 11. Inspection of Ordinance.

A copy of this Ordinance may be inspected or purchases at the Township Hall, 1539 S. Bartlett Rd, St. Clair, MI 48079 during regular office hours.

Roll Call: Yes- Trustees Kays, Boeck, Mollan, Treasurer Hanrahan, Clerk Skonieczny & Supervisor Boulrier. No-Trustee Hovis. Motion Carried.

4) Township Board discussed and approved the following Target Shooting tips:

The laws for target shooting are not the same as the laws for lawful hunting. The following safety tips are suggestions and do not render a shooter free from liability or prosecution.

- While target shooting build a berm using earth and/or other material that will lessen the chance of ricochet and ensure the projectile will not travel through the target/berm.
- When building a berm for target shooting be sure it is positioned so that while target shooting any building, pedestrians or travelers on roads will not be exposed to potential stray rounds.
- Target shooters should be at least 18 years old or accompanied by a responsible adult and be the owner of the property where the target shooting is taking place.
- Be sure of your target, berm/backstop and beyond.
- Keep your finger off the trigger and outside the trigger guard until you are ready to fire your weapon.
- Never point your weapon in a direction you are not intending to shoot.
- You and the property owner are responsible for every round you fire, if you fire a weapon (even if you have an adequate backstop/berm) and the round goes astray you are responsible for anything the round hits.
- Treat all guns like they are loaded.
- Be courteous to your neighbors.

Moved by Trustee Mollan. Seconded by Trustee Boeck to pursue the cost of a bulk post card mailing to residents pertaining to new target shooting tips in addition to the placement on St. Clair Township website & newsletter.

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Motion Carried.

5) Moved by Clerk Skonieczny. Seconded by Trustee Boeck to allow Township Board Members, Planning Commission and BZA Members to attend the SCCM Planning Commission 2019 Spring Workshop on April 29, 2019 at the cost of \$15.00. Roll Call: Yes- Trustees Kays, Boeck, Mollan, Hovis, Treasurer Hanrahan, Clerk Skonieczny & Supervisor Boulier. Motion Carried.

6) Brief Comments from the Floor:

- a) D. Miller – Stated he would like to see “Containment for Targets” on the Target Shooting Tips “list”.

7) Moved by Trustee Mollan. Seconded by Trustee Boeck to adjourn. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Joyce A. Skonieczny
Clerk