

CASCO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 16, 2021 @ 7:00PM

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

Present: Overhiser, Brenner, Macyauski, Clevenger, Fleming and 17 citizens present and 15 by zoom.

Absent: None

Deputy Kurt Katje reported that he has taken another position with the Sheriff Dept., October is his last month with Casco Township, he will be working for the court with Friend of the Court. His replacement will be Cesar Cano, Kurt will bring him to the September meeting to introduce him to the board and any public that will be attending.

Linda Teeter with Allegan County Legal Assistance Center, was present to set up a Remote Patron Assistance at our township hall for Casco residents. This will be Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 12:30pm to 3:30pm. Dan made motion to approve the Remote Patron Assistant Day. Paul supported. No further discussion. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Several comments from the

Lakeshore Preservation Committee

Jodi Brott, Vicky Turbov, Doug Nickerson, Andrea Stein, and several others recommending that the Township Board put a Resolution in place to stop the hard rock revetments along the shoreline.

Tony & Andrea Quinn, requesting that the township not to issue special event permits to Whitefords property on Baseline Road, they have ignored the noise ordinance several times having different events, weddings, fund raisers etc.

Reports:

Clerk- Minutes of the regular meeting of the July 19, 2021. Kenny made motion to approve the minutes of the 7/19/2021. Paul supported. No further discussion or corrections. Motion Carried.

Treasurer –

Balance of the following funds as of 7/31/2021:

General Fund	Balance	\$585,972.82
Road Fund	Balance	\$962,328.38
Fire Fund	Balance	\$530,746.50
Police Fund	Balance	\$201,620.18
Parks & Recreation	Balance	\$124,426.20
Cemetery	Balance	\$105,675.01
Senior Services	Balance	\$136,994.02
Collected Tax account	Balance	\$17,911.62
Kenny made motion to approve Orders 27048 to 27092 in the amount of		\$185,914.36

Paul supported. No discussion or corrections. All votes in favor. Motion carried.

Parks & Recreation:

Paul mentioned that Karen is doing a great job in the park. Something new, the QR codes can be scanned with your phone would make it available to the public to leave ideas for our parks.

ZBA: Paul gave brief report on applicant requesting a variance on 79 Pershing, which was denied.

SHAES:

SHAWSA: Special meeting Aug. 17, 2021.

Planning Commission: Meeting canceled because of no items to be put on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update on ARPF American Rescue Pandemic Fund:

Allan reported that we have successfully moved forward applying for it. We are suppose to be receiving it in September, the amount is \$325,000.00 approximately. With this Allan presented the proposal for an internet study and this is something that we can use some of this money for.

- Lakeshore Erosion Committee meeting August 30, 2021 at 7:00pm.
- Updated Quote for I.T. RIGHT.

Kenny explained that the new quote is now \$9,200.00 which is more than the first quote of \$5,600.00 because we added more terminals and laptops plus an additional invoice in the amount of \$5,407.90 for the hardware/software required to install the server.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Hourly Pay Rate Consideration:

A cost of living raise to the employees a 3.5% increase and three other changes, one is Karen's hourly rate at the Transfer Station to \$20.00 per hour, Mary Campbell a \$2 hourly rate increase, and Kathy a \$1 hourly rate increase and \$40 per hour when Kathy does the zoom meetings.

Paul made a motion to support the cost of living increases for the employees. Dan supported.

No discussion. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm

Minutes respectively submitted by
Cheryl Brenner, Clerk