

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MEETING

Monday, February 28th, 2022 7pm

* All board members were in attendance

Call to Order: The Greenbush Township meeting was called to order by Supervisor Thelen with the reciting of the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of the Agenda: A motion was made by Kindel to accept the agenda as presented.

* Seconded by Graham

* Motion passed

Clinton County Sheriff Report: No representative was present but Clerk Smith will be watching for an on-line monthly report that should come through for the March monthly meeting.

CAASA Report: The February 2022 meeting was attended by Clerk Smith. It was reported from the board that there has been no confirmed date on the delivery of the new ambulance. It was also discussed that one of the old ambulances could be refurbished but as it has been inspected and the chassis is not in good enough condition for use. A 5-mill state grant is out there but with disappointment it will not be feasible for their entity. It was brought up about a company called 44 North to see if it would be feasible to get employee insurance through them. More info to follow. The hourly employee rate was also a topic. There is a part time opening for an administrative assistant at 30.00 per hr., it will be posted in the coming week. Ambulance runs seem to be at a pretty level amount this month. The board is always looking for some way to give appreciation to their employees for the constant dedication they give to their job. It is in hopes they can come up with a family outing this summer. The next monthly meeting is March 17th 2022 at the ambulance garage with the approving of their upcoming FY budget.

Reading and Approval of Prior Months Meetings: Motion was made by Graham to approve the prior the months minutes and to dispense with their reading.

* Seconded by Kindel

* Motion passed

Treasurer's Report & Approval of Bill Payments: The Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer Roof. The balance sheet plus the profit and loss was also presented. Treasurer Roof asked that checks 14096-14106 plus ACH and EFTPS be approved for payment. A motion was made by Graham to accept the treasure report as presented and to pay presented bills.

* Seconded by Kindel

* Motion passed

Correspondence: * Letter from Sheriff Jerue with the concerns of helping the fight against drugs in our community. *The annual 2022 Waste Management program will again be taking place, please contact Township for more info. * A reminder that budget and statement is due to the Tax Allocation Board by the 3rd Monday in April.

Public Comment: Resident Mr. Snider was in attendance with pictures and information on a water incident that happened to his house's basement on Hall Rd. He was appreciative_of_the help from the Road Commission and the notice that Supervisor Thelen had given to the RC. It was decided that a tube being put in the road would solve this problem from happening again. This will take place this summer.

St. Johns Fire Department: Chief Jordan Whitford- Chief Whitford introduced himself on behalf of the St. Johns Fire Department as their new Chief, he is a local resident, works for the city waste water dept., his wife is a teacher in the St. Johns school system and they are residents in our township. He felt it was important to give us an update on the department's operations. There have been 5 new hires, which is very well received. There is also a new engine that replaces the mini pumper they had and this will benefit with much more water capacity. It was asked if a brush truck of some kind might be in the future? But as of now the cost is way over \$ 100,00.00 and it would be great but felt they could not afford it as of now. They do have a ranger that is decked out and proves to be quite handy. Chief Whiford was also very pleased that his men are partaking in an ice rescue class that will make them certified by2023 for ice rescues, being we have so many more accessible water ways in our community. Again, he thanked Greenbush Township for contracting with the St. Johns Fire Department.

County Commissioner Report-Kam Washburn: Broad ban surveys have come back to the county with many opinions and questions so the commissioners have decided to hold a meeting at the Clinton County Court House on February 16th at 6pm for township officials. This will in hopes help the townships to answer questions to their residents and to be better informed on the matter. The commissioners have voted to open up the Smith Hall for the 4-H fair this year. Also, it was reported that the 18-mill bond for the new Road Commission buildings have had some of the bids come in a bit higher and they are working on those adjustments.

Assessor Report-Beth Botke: Assessments have been sent out and Botke did use KCI for mailing which did save some money. All BOR members have been trained and are ready for their BOR scheduled time and appointments. Assessment ratios for Greenbush Township are *Agricultural 47.09**1.06180 / *Residential 47.03**1.06315 / Industrial*46.43**1.07689 / Commercial*51.09** .97867 / Developmental*NC**NC Personal Property* 50.00**1.0000

OLD BUSINESS * Road Report- The 2022 chloride contract was presented by Clerk Smith It was priced out at 38,812.50 for three applications. Supervisor Thelen said the RC had indicated to him that we would have the applications before the holidays this year. Being there was not any clarification on the dates the board was not willing to sign the contract. It was suggested that Clerk Smith get in contact with the RC to see if they could verify some dates before we signed the contract. All other road updates seem to be in a good time line order for the end of our fiscal year. Members of the board will be meeting with the RC on March 17th to start looking into road projects for FY 2022-23

*Ambulance Budget- a motion was made by Roof to bring the previous discussion off the table.

*Seconded by Kindel

* Motion Passed

The 2022-2023 Ambulance budget was presented by Supervisor Thelen, discussion to follow with the per capita resident amount wrong and the budgeted \$5000.00 for the rescue truck was not in Greenbush Townships new FY. Motion by Clerk Smith to accept the ambulance 2022-2023 budget with the exemptions of correct per capita amount and the item line number 101-650 to be deleted.

* Seconded by Kindel

* Motion Passed

* ARPA- Supervisor Thelen asked that we appoint someone to go forth with the April 30th report that is due from the funds we received from ARPA. Motion was made by Graham to appoint Supervisor Thelen for this position.

*Seconded by Roof

* Motion Passed

An ARPA grant application was received from the Eureka Christian Church in the amount of \$5000.00 . the board put this on file until further decision can be made.

NEW BUSINESS: * Zoning case PC 09-22 SLU was discussed and the board would like Clerk Smith to correspond with zoning to let them know that this case should go forward.

The reading of the 2022-2023 FY budget meeting was read to the board and the public. The meeting went very well and it was commented that the board is doing a fine and productive job on the budgets.

*Input from board members that there are many grants being offered from the State in connection with Covid-19. It was suggested to get on the States website for more info.

Additional Public Comment: None

Next Meeting: March 28th,2022 7pm

Meeting Adjournment: Motion by Roof to adjourn meeting.

*Seconded by Kindel

* Motion passed

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35pm

Supervisor Lee Thelen

Clerk Ramona Smith