

APPROVED MINUTES
PINE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Hansen, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer.

PRESENT: Edwin Hansen, Supervisor; Marla Sprague, Clerk; Rachel Pitcher, Treasurer; Lynwood Cannon, Trustee; William H. Burr, Trustee

STAFF PRESENT: Barbara Kaaikala, Deputy Clerk

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT: Rick Outman, State Senator; Todd Sattler, Montcalm County Drain Commissioner

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Cannon moved, supported by Pitcher, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

LAKE WATER LEVEL CONCERNS

Paul Forton, Spicer Group Engineering project manager, explained the County Drain process and heard concerns and answered questions from concerned residents of Rainbow, Little Rainbow, Middle, and Sawdust lakes regarding flooding. State Senator Rick Outman and Todd Sattler, Montcalm County Drain Commissioner were also present. Outman informed residents that he has been seeking grant money for the situation but to date has only found a low-interest loan. He will also look into whether permits can be expedited. Doug Smith, Rainbow Lake Association Representative, stated that residents have pledged the \$20,000.00 needed to begin the Chapter Three application process.

Smith also requested that the Board adopt a resolution declaring Rainbow Lake a no-wake lake until the water level has receded. Hansen will add this item to the March 9, 2020 meeting agenda.

The meeting was paused at 8:31 PM to allow members of the public not wishing to stay for the remainder of the meeting to leave. The meeting resumed at 8:45 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Pitcher moved, supported by Burr, to approve the January 13, 2020 Minutes with the addition of *with Board approval* under the SOLAR ORDINANCE heading. Motion carried.

TREASURER/FINANCIAL REPORTS (on file)

Hansen asked whether there were questions on the financial report. Hearing none, Hansen declared the report approved as filed.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

No report.

ROAD REPORT

None

FIRE REPORT (on file)

Burr reported that Pine Township's contribution for the 2020 fire district budget is \$62,918.00, with \$31,459.00 being due on March 1, 2020.

Cannon moved, supported by Pitcher to make the payment of \$31,459.00 by March 1, 2020.

Roll call vote: Burr – Yes; Hansen – Yes; Pitcher – Yes; Cannon – Yes; Sprague – Yes. Motion carried.

CEMETERY REPORT

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None

PUBLIC VOICE

Patrick Outman introduced himself as a candidate for the 70th Congressional District. He gave a short background of his education and qualifications.

OLD BUSINESS

TOWNSHIP HALL MICROWAVE

Due to the size of the donated microwave, Sprague moved, supported by Cannon, to authorize Hansen to purchase a new microwave. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Sprague reported that the Election Committee met and appointed election inspectors for the March 10 Presidential Primary Election. Inspectors will attend training on February 20, 2019 in Stanton.

SUPERVISOR REPORT

Hansen reported that two attended the Board of Review training at Chippewa Hills High School.

TOWNSHIP HALL COPIER

Sprague reported that the cost of a new copy machine would be \$349.99 through Staples. No action will be taken at this time.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Hansen submitted the name of Steve Fisk to be appointed for a three year term on the Planning Commission. Pitcher moved, supported by Cannon, to make the appointment. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Pitcher moved, supported by Burr, to pay checks 1690-1718 in the amount of \$8,040.93 for monthly bills. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Pitcher moved, supported by Sprague, to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted.

Marla Sprague

Marla Sprague, Clerk