

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP
MINUTES
Monday November 20,2023 7pm

Board members in attendance Thelen, Smith, and Kindel. Absent was Roof and Graham.

Call to Order: The November Monthly meeting was called to order by Supervisor Thelen. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

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

* Seconded by Smith

* Motion passed

Clinton County Sheriff Report : A monthly report via e-mail was presented by Clerk Smith. The board members reviewed it and again was pleased by the protection we are receiving and the number of tickets that are being given out in our Township.

CAAS Report: Supervisor Thelen reported that from there monthly meeting Townships are asked to consider in their new FY budget to up the per capita to\$15.00. This would enable, due to the cost of living ,for current employees and adjustments to new hires. CAAS is also in search of an Assistant Director for current Director Lynn Weber . This would alleviate some of the work load and also Director Weber is looking to retire in the near future. Runs are still at a steady pace and as of now the Community Paramedic Program is on hold. A resident asked if personal transportation would be available to them if it was just to their home or to another facility? Supervisor Thelen assured them that all transportation's are available to them.

Commissioner Report: Val Vail- Shirey was in attendance and basically reported that the Green Energy report will be presented to Zoning on December 14, 2023 at the Clinton County Court House. Attendance at the meeting is very important. Vail-Shirey also conveyed she was going to make a suggestion to the zoning board that every few months it would be a good idea to review various ordinances making sure they are in compliance and up to date. She felt in the long run this would help in any confusing of wording. Their Budget for the upcoming year was reviewed and past in October 2023.

Assessor Report: Beth Botke was unable to attend but did send an e-mail that taxes are ready to go out and a 5% increase will be noticed. The BOR is schedule for

December 12th, 2023 10am at the Greenbush Township Hall. As of now there are no applications , so Botke will keep us posted in case of cancellation.

Reading and Approval of Prior Months Minutes: *With a correction being made on a miss spelled word Kindel made the motion to accept the minutes as presented and to dispense with the readings.*

** Seconded by Smith (she will make correction)*

** Motion Passed*

Treasures Report : *A report was given by written request from Treasure Roof. She asked that the Balance sheet plus Profit and Loss be approved along with the approval of checks 14413-14423 along with ACH and EFTPS. Motion was made by Smith to accept the report and to pay bills as presented.*

** Seconded by Kindel*

** Motion Passed*

Correspondence: *Our Township has been hit with a lot of drain work Residents should be aware of the notices they will receive because of the cost that will be added to there taxes. * MDOT and the County Road Commission will be meeting on the 11th of December, 2023 . Kindel and Thelen will be in attendance. Clerk Smith gave all Board members a copy of the new State of MI. ORV ordinance Board members suggested that it might be a good idea to put a link on the web site of the ordinance.*

Public Comment : (on anything other than Agenda Items) *Resident Dunkel was very concerned on the upkeep of residents property lately. Mostly the collection of basic junk that keeps pilling up. The Township Board totally agreed and know that zoning does the best they can to communicate to our residents to clean up their area. It was brought to the Boards attention that Bath has some sort of trash pick up provided to there residents once a year. Clerk Smith said she would get some information on this.*

OLD BUSINESS

** Road Report: All road projects for FY 2023-2024 are well under way and many of them have been completed. The paving of Dewitt Rd. between Maple Rapids Rd. and Hyde Rd .came in under budget and have heard many good reviews from residents on that Rd. Clerk Smith commented about the solar speed signs that are to go up on Welling Rd.have not yet been placed. This seems like an awful long timeline being that we have been payed for and also the solar speed sign that was bought by the Clinton County Sheriffs Department to be placed on Maple Rapids Rd. has yet to be put up. Resident Dunkel was concerned that the finishing*

touches at the corner of Maple Rapids and Welling roads Near the Post Office in Eureka had very poor gravel; almost a clay like material placed when the road repair was finished. It washes out and makes the quality of the road poor. Supervisor Thelen will look into this.

** Green Energy Committee: Supervisor Thelen gave praise to all the participants on this committee, and was very pleased on the outcome of the hard work that was put into this report. Please go to the December 14th 2023 zoning meeting to give your final public comments to the Zoning Board.*

** Nine Day Voting Update: Clerk Smith reported that the process of the nine day voting is finally in the final stages of organization. More information will be given in December.*

NEW BUSINESS

** Clinton County Road Commission Open House
The CCRC will be opening there doors to the public on Tuesday November 21st ,2023*

Additional Public Comment : Residents are still concerned that it would be a wise choice to have our own zoning or at least a planning board. Supervisor Thelen again spoke to the effect of what the cost would be to our Township. Example: lawyers, added employees and the fact that there could possibly be lawsuits. The Board discussed how they understood the concerns of the residents and want what is best for our Township. At this time there is so much controversy even between the County's and the State of Michigan that we should just hold tight and hope for the best. Residents comments and concerns seemed to be at ease but feel that it should just be put on the back burner for the time being.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Kindel to adjourn the meeting

** Seconded by Smith*

** Motion passed*

Meting Adjourned : 8:50 PM

Next Meeting : December 18th 2023 7pm

Supervisor Lee Thelen

Clerk Ramona Smith