

GREENBUSH TOWNSHIP MINUTES

Monday, November 23rd,2020

All Board Members (with the exception of Trustee Graham) were present, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Thelen with the Pledge of Allegiance. Due to covid-19 restriction's the meeting was held outside.

Approval of Agenda: with the addition of PA116 -20205,20206, AND 20207 to new business Motion by Kindel seconded by Roof motion carried. Agenda approved.

Clinton County Sheriff Department Report – no one present, Supervisor Thelen mentioned that the electronic speed limit sign was up for a week on Welling rd. and it seemed to remind people to slow down. Clerk Smith presented the October Sherriff report that is sent to us usually a month behind, but did give us some insight on what has been occurring in our township.

CAAS Report –Representee was not present, but Supervisor Thelen gave a report from the CASSA board meeting with their updated projects. New power cots have been ordered, two new employees have been hired and their financial outlook seems to be in good shape. Also hazard pay did come through from the State due to covid-19.

Reading and Approval of Prior Month's Minutes- Motion by Roof to accept prior month's minutes and to dispense with their reading. Second by Kindel motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Roof gave report and ask that bill's 13853-13874 and including 13879 plus the debit and ACH be approved for payment Discussion by Kindel that check#13861-13866 were not October bills and that we might not comply with the Auditors if we pay those bills. Roof said she would red flag those checks and ask the Auditors if there was a problem in paying them. Motion made by Kindel to accept treasures report and pay said bills. Second by Smith, motion passed.

Correspondence- Clerk Smith reported that the November 2020 election was certified by the Board of Canvasser and that each one of the Board members should have received a certificate that they had won their position at the November election.

Public Comment (on anything other than agenda item)- a reminder by a resident that the truck speed and truck traffic by the Eureka school is still a problem.

County Commissioner Report- Kam Washburn: not in attendance, but the Township Board feels the county is doing a fine job with their dealings of covid-19.

Assessors Report- Beth Botke: not in attendance, but the Township Board is aware that BOR is coming up in December and that Beth will handle all arrangements for that day.

OLD BUSINESS

Road Report: Two representees from the Road commission were present to give the Township many updates on the roads in Greenbush Township and some happenings at the RC. RC is very pleased how things are progressing on Colony Rd. and US 127, the paper work has been sent into the state for culverts for farm purposes in this area. There has been much pre-work on Scott Rd. between Kinley and French for upgrade to that road. The RC feels the township is keeping up on their word to get the chip sealing, gravel and chloride done to better the roads. There will be a few retirements in the spring at the RC and they recently hired Karla Gurski in the office. The board members comminated on how they appreciated the work the RC is doing over all.

NEW BUSINESS

CASSA – Splitting Grant Money: discussion by board members whether or not to split budgeted money in the amount (\$5000.00) to enable them to put\$ 2000.00 towards their purchase of lift cots and put remaining \$3000.00 into their general fund for the upkeep of the rescue truck. Motion by Smith to make the money split seconded by Roof, roll call vote was taken, all ayes, motion passed. A letter will be written by the Greenbush Township Board will accompany said grant money along with the November minutes for a one-time approval of request. Also discussed by the board was the increase of per capita contribution of each township. Greenbush Township will recommend the following suggestion by township Supervisor Thelen for an increase of .50 per year for the next ten years. A letter of recommendation will be provided by our township to each township representee on CASSA. Therefore in return they will present back to their township for discussion.

December Meeting – Motion by Kindel that if for some reason the December 28th meeting (covid-19 etc.) was cancelled that treasurer Roof had the authority to pay the November bills with the approval of supervisor Thelen and clerk Smith, seconded by Smith motion passed.

PA116-20205-20206-20207: Discussion by board on the PA116’S presented to them and they were all in agreement that the county should go forth with the request. Clerk Smith will reply.

Additional Public Comments: Mr. Whiteford commented on EB Ridge farms on how when they turn into a field whether there is a driveway there or not and how they are disrespectful to our roads.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion by Smith to adjourn meeting seconded by Kindel motion passed, adjourn 7:50pm

Next meeting December 28th.2020

Lee Thelen, Supervisor

Ramona Smith, Clerk