

Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 07/30/2018

Call to Order @ 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Saad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Saad, Graves, Hallman, Schmidt and Conner.

Motion, Schmidt, second, Hallman to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes of June 25, 2018 Motion passed.

Correspondence is available to view.

Motion, Graves, second, Hallman to approve payment of expenditures as printed. Motion passed.

Public comment: Marty Vyskocil on behalf of the Lobdell / Bennett Lake Association. I want to thank the Fire Chief and department for the use of the Fire Hall Training room for the Boater Safety class. 21 certificates were earned.

Reports: Police Department- A written report was submitted. Saad read the highlights of the report.

The department will be hosting a Bike Rodeo on August 11th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Mobile home office parking lot. There will be food and 6 stations for the participants to visit that will provide bicycle safety, minor repairs, etc. Administrative Assistant, Becky Nemecheck, has secured a \$1,500.00 grant from Walmart to provide bike helmets for the children.

The 2018/2019 Linden Community Schools Resource Officer agreement was accepted at the July School board Meeting and must be approved and signed by the Supervisor and Clerk. The cost is \$27,934.63. Schmidt noted that the school pays for wages and the Township pays for uniforms for the officers and a vehicle.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Graves to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the School Resource Officer Agreement between Argentine Township and Linden Community Schools. Motion passed 4-0. Trustee Conner abstained from the vote.

Three estimates are provided for the cleanup of the Impound lot. Royalty Services quoted \$2,846.00, Campbell's Lawn & Snow LLC quoted \$1,150. And Milan's Home Improvement quoted \$900.

Moved by Saad, seconded by Schmidt to accept the quote from Milan's Home Improvement to clean up the Police Department impound lot. Motion passed 4-0. Trustee Conner abstained from the vote.

Quotes were obtained from Signature Ford for a 2018 Ford Explorer Interceptor AWD vehicle in the amount of \$28,938.00, Moved by Hallman, seconded by Graves to approve

the purchase of a 2018 Ford Explorer Interceptor AWD from Signature Ford for \$28,938.00. Motion passed 4-0. Trustee Conner abstained from the vote.

Pro-Comm has quoted a price of \$9,605.00 to install emergency equipment on the 2018 Ford Explorer. Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Graves to approve the quote and have Pro-Comm install equipment for police vehicle in the amount of \$9,605.00. Motion passed 4-0. Trustee Conner abstained for the vote.

Finally, Officer Jeff Mulnix has agreed to use his boat and will provide police services for the Lobdell Lake Fireworks on September 1, 2018. He is requesting that the Township place a temporary insurance rider for his boat and be compensated for gasoline.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Graves to obtain a temporary insurance rider on Officer Mulnix's boat and reimburse for gasoline for the Lobdell Lake Fireworks. Motion passed 4-0. Officer Conner recused himself from the vote.

Saad noted there has been a significant increase in service calls.

Fire Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Lafferty reviewed his report. Chief Lafferty said we are currently at 270 runs.

Due to our drought like conditions this month I issued a burn ban on the 10th. After some adequate rain fall, the burn ban was lifted on the 23rd. We are still urging everyone to continue using caution as we continue to evaluate the conditions.

I've voiced my concern to the 911 Center about our new 800 MHz pagers. Since they've done away with the VHF paging, I've had multiple incidents the pagers haven't received the call or were cutting in and out to the point you couldn't comprehend it.

I was at the station the morning of the 16th, having coffee with some of the firefighters when we heard some other firefighters coming in. Apparently we were called for a garbage truck fire and didn't receive notification from our new pagers, which we had on us. Due to our location in the building we didn't have Wi-Fi or phone signal for the dsx. Thankfully the fire was minor enough that the crew from the garbage company had it extinguished it with a garden hose upon our arrival.

During our training on the 15th, we were in our training room when a call came in. Half of our pagers didn't go off right away, when the others finally went off, all they heard was the dispatcher repeating the fire ground.

I've reached out to both the 911 Center and the other Chiefs within the county for any suggestions and if anyone has a station alert system. I received a few responses from the Chiefs and will be discussing our options of a speaker system at our officers meeting.

I have no updates from the County at this time related to the tornado siren project.

I gave Dan with Rickson Wheels payment information on Thursday the 19th. He told me he would be finishing the rear wheels either the next day or Monday the 23rd. After he was done the wheels would be sent for powder coating, which he stated would be about a week. To prevent any damage, the wheels are being sent directly to the company that will be mounting the tires and wheels on our new rescue. When I talked with Ken

Holden, Friday morning, the 27th, he stated the tires were delivered and ready to go. All we're waiting for right now is shipment confirmation from Rickson Wheel.

Building Department- Saad reported that we had 13 permits that total \$5,898.20.

The Planning Commission –Trustee Conner said the Planning Commission met on July 12, 2018. The PC discussed the added seating at the Deck. The Mill is approaching their deadline on their site plan and will need to be notified. Schmidt will speak with them.

Attorney Report: David Lattie

Lattie will attend the ZBA Meeting next week related to the Campbell situation. They need a ZBA opinion as to whether their site can be considered buildable.

The Williston's had Judge Farrah grant our motion to strike their appraisal. This is a significant advantage to us. September 19th is the trial date. We may ask the Assessor to testify.

Tom Brooks has been very busy in a positive way. I want to give him credit.

Graves asked about some blight cases that have been adjourned. Graves asked about the need to revise our ordinance to be more specific.

Old Business: None.

Mike Messer, Your Ride Manager, spoke about supporting the upcoming millage renewal. Your Ride provided 2642 rides this month and covered 32,644 miles. A new service is Rides to Wellness and is available to qualified residents. Another service is Pace for the elderly. All mini buses have been converted to use propane. The MTA runs a regional bus to transport workers from Flint to different areas to their employment. The MTA is supported by a .8 mill millage that is on the ballot for renewal at different times so a .4 mill renewal millage is on the ballot this election cycle.

New Business: Ordinance 76 Pathway Ordinance.

Tabled, no action taken.

Saad asked that this be reviewed by the Planning Commission again and that a word be struck and possibly a clarification.

Resolution 2018-6 Declaration of Intent to make public improvements: Tentative designation of special assessment district: Notice of Public Hearing for Pineview Estates Subdivision.

The residents have presented a valid petition stating that they are in favor of road improvement on Pineview Lake Dr. Saad thanked Leslie Renckly for obtaining signatures from 68% of the residents.

Moved by Saad, seconded by Schmidt to adopt Resolution 2018-6. Roll call: Graves, yes, Conner, yes, Hallman, yes, Schmidt, yes. Motion passed 4-0. Saad recused himself from the vote. Motion passed.

Lattie said we will have to pass a resolution creating the district. Lattie will inform bond counsel and we will have to hold a needs and a cost hearing. We want to get this on the Genesee county Road Commission's 2019 schedule. We do not want to start incurring interest until we have to.

Meeting Dates for 2018/2019 Fiscal Year

Clerk Graves has proposed a schedule of meeting dates for our adoption.

Moved by Hallman, seconded by Schmidt to adopt the schedule of meeting dates for 2018/2019.

Motion passed.

Property Tax Foreclosures

Schmidt said we have the opportunity to purchase 2 properties that are being foreclosed. Each is occupied and will require Mr. Lattie to assist in getting them vacated.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Graves that we authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the Genesee County request to purchase foreclosed properties described as parcels 01-29-527-043 and 01-30-400-002, also known as 15055 Locust Grove Drive and 12251 Herrington Rd, which are located in Byron, Michigan. The purchase price is \$14,517.83 plus the \$30.00 filing fee, and authorize Supervisor and Clerk to sign agreement. Motion passed.

Sewer at 7285 Lobdell Rd.

Schmidt said he recommends that we approve the proposed sewer connection @ 7285 Lobdell Rd on parcel # 01-36-100-015. This would tie 2 sewers into the same gravity sewer lead (located at 7263 and 7285 Lobdell Rd). We will need to grant a variance for this.

Moved by Saad, seconded by Schmidt to allow use of joint lead for both properties at 7285 Lobdell Rd. Motion passed.

Public comment: Glen Stephen- spoke about incidents when he called Police on July 7th. Mr. Stephan said his power was knocked off for 2 minutes by illegal fireworks tossed at transformer.

Business from Board Members:

Schmidt- We have an Ordinance # 74-1 that amends Ordinance 74, article 6.

Schmidt: Schmidt moved that the Board adopt Genesee County Water and Waste District # 3 and # 7 Revisions for Ordinance #74-1 to reflect Appendix 1, 2, and 3, dated 07-30-2018. Saad seconded the motion. Motion passed.

We have a neighboring township that has difficulties with sexual harassment claims. Our township has been pro-active with educating our employees. I want to ask our department heads to make certain everyone understands how damaging this can be for a township. The Fire Department needs to be cleaned on a regular basis. We discussed cleaning the offices, kitchen and restrooms weekly and the other areas monthly.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Saad to authorize the Clerk to seek bids on cleaning Fire Hall. Motion passed.

We are moving forward on relocating the Building Department office to the middle of the Fire Hall.

The brush is growing out of control on the Northwest quadrant of the dam. We need to get the tree roots and vegetation cleared. Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Saad to

authorize the Clerk to seek quotes for brush removal and cleanup of the area and authorize the Clerk to select a provider. Motion passed.

Conner- The National Night Out event will be held on August 7, 2018 at 5 p.m. Police and Fire will be here.

Hallman – Nothing.

Graves- The office will be open on Saturday August 4th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for absentee voting.

Saad- Nothing.

Adjournment at 8:09 p.m.

Denise Graves, Clerk

Brian J. Saad, Supervisor