

Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 23, 2020

Call to Order @ 7:02 p.m.

This meeting was held on video conference, per Michigan Health Department order prohibiting in person meetings.

Supervisor Saad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Saad, present (Argentine Twp.), James (Argentine Twp.), present, Connor (Chesaning Twp.), present, Graves (Sumter Co. FL), present and Schmidt (Sarasota Co. FL), present.

Motion, Conner seconded by Saad to approve the minutes of the October 26, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. Roll call: Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes, James-yes, Saad-yes, Conner-yes. Motion passed 5-0

Correspondence is available to view.

Moved by Conner, seconded by Schmidt to approve the budget amendment to increase account number 101-000-695.000 in the amount of \$5000.00 and increase account number 101-191-702.000 in the amount of \$5000.00 as recommended by Clerk Graves. Roll Call; Graves -yes, James -yes, Saad-yes, Conner-yes, Schmidt -yes. Motion passed 5-0

Motion, Saad seconded by Graves to approve payment of expenditures as presented in the board package.

Roll Call; James -yes, Saad-yes, Conner-yes, Schmidt -yes, Graves -yes. Motion passed 5-0

Public comment: None

Reports: Fire Department- A written report was submitted by Chief Kurtz. The company representative for our firefighter Turnout gear sized up two firefighters for replacement of their old gear and Captain Thompson's helmet that is over 15 years old. The total cost under the Flint Purchase Agreement will total \$6779.00 saving \$800.00.

Motion Schmidt, second by Graves

Roll Call; James-yes, Saad-yes, Conner-yes, Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes. Motion passed 5-0

Police Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Allen reported that 3 officers, Steve Carlson, Paul Honkanen and Angelo Panos received the department "Life Saving Award" for their heroic efforts that resulted in saving the life of a woman and a man.

Building Department- Saad reported that 11 permits were issued that total \$6,154.70.

The Planning Commission –The Planning Commission Trustee Conner advised the board met last month and currently are working on updates and changes to the township planner. There will be a presentation at the next meeting December 10, 2020 to show and discuss the updates.

Attorney: David Lattie advised the Board he is currently revamping the Blight Ordinance.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Resolution 2020-13 to accept the multiple years deficit elimination action plan for Whitehead Dr.

Motion made by Saad seconded by Conner to adopt Resolution 2020-13

Roll Call: Saad,-yes, Conner-yes, Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes, James; -yes.

Resolution Adopted

Resolution 2020-14 to accept the multiple years deficit elimination action plan for Havilland Beach Dr.

Motion made by Saad seconded by Graves to adopt Resolution 2020-14

Roll Call; Conner-yes, Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes, James-yes, Saad-yes.

Resolution Adopted

Appointment to Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance, Elected Officers and Citizen Representatives.

Motion to appoint Brian Saad, Leslie Renckly, made by Graves, seconded by Schmidt, to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

Roll Call; Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes, James-yes, Saad-yes, Conner-yes

Motion passed 5-0

Board of Review appointment

Motion to appoint Amber Chambers made by Saad seconded by Conner

Roll Call; Graves-yes, James-yes, Saad-yes, Conner-yes, Schmidt-yes

Motion passed 5-0

New Official Training;

Motion to Graves Seconded by Schmidt, to approve training expenses for those interested in taking educational classes.

Roll Call; James-yes, Saad-yes, Conner-yes, Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes.

Motion passed 5-0

Addendum to Covid- 19 Policy;

Motion by Graves seconded by Schmidt to re-instate the office Covid-19 policy with the addendum.

Roll Call; Saad-yes, Conner-yes, Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes, James-yes.

Motion passed 5-0

Resolution 2020 – 15 to authorize the approval and signing of a Designated Assessor and Inter-local Agreement with Genesee County

Motion by Saad seconded by Graves to adopt Resolution 2020-15.

Roll Call; Conner-yes, Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes, James-yes, Saad-yes.

Motion passed 5-0

Public Comment: None

Business from Board Members:

Schmidt- Regarding work that had been done on Whitehead Dr. and billing from Genesee County Road Commission. Treasurer Schmidt advised that a check for \$65,139.11 will be sent vs. the amount billed of \$91,000.00. Treasurer Schmidt advised the \$65,139.11 is already \$5000.00 over the estimated cost. Treasurer Schmidt also moved to dissolve the Amazon Business Account.

Motion Schmidt, seconded by Saad, to dissolve the account.

Roll Call: Schmidt-yes, Graves-yes, James-yes, Saad-yes, Conner-yes.

Motion passed 5-0

James- None

Graves- Discussed the November election reporting a record turnout at 83% with 48% absentee ballots. County Board of Canvassers stated the Poll Books were perfect and our township had zero issues. Compliments to the staff, Clerk Denise Graves, Jane Lefler, Leslie Renckly, Sarah Tottingham, Dagmar Miller, Bruce Allen, and Tom Brooks.

Saad- Seats for the ZBA and Planning Commission need to be filled.

Motion to appoint Trustee Conner to the Chair a Public Safety and Parks and Recreation subcommittee. Saad seconded by Schmidt. Roll Call; James-yes, Saad-yes, Conner-no, Graves-yes, Schmidt-yes. Motion passed.

Motion to appoint Trustee Conner to ZBA for a 3-year term. Saad seconded by Schmidt.

Discussion: Conner- objected to this as he wants to remain on the Planning Commission.

Roll Call; Graves-yes, James-yes, Saad-yes, Conner-no, Schmidt-yes.

Motion Passed 4-1.

Motion to appoint Trustee James to the Planning Commission for a 3year term, Graves second by Saad. Roll Call; Conner-no, Saad-yes, Graves-yes, James-yes, Schmidt-yes. Motion passed.

Conner-None.

Adjournment at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes taken by Becky Nemecheck

Joseph Graves, Clerk

Brian Saad, Supervisor