

Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 29, 2018

Call to Order @ 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Saad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was observed for the victims of the Synagogue shooting in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

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

Motion, Hallman, second, Conner to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes of September 24, 2018, Motion passed.

Saad opened Hearing for Pineview Estates & Pineview on the River @ 7:03 p.m.

Public Comment: Charlotte Riechert- Proprietor of Pineview Lake Apartments- objects to amount of assessment.

Robert Detloff- Apartment owner- objects with assessment cost.

Jim Ruhlig- 9161 Pineview Lake Ct. Owns lot behind also. Spoke against.

Leslie Renckly- 8571 Pineview. Spoke in favor.

Mark Ruhlig- 11181 Lovejoy Rd. Byron.-owns vacant lot. Initially signed the petition in favor but now is in favor for homes but not for vacant lot.

Robert Detloff- spoke again- If we say we are in favor of the road is not the same as favor of cost.

Mike Ruhlig- co-owner of vacant lot with Mark Ruhlig. -asked about interest rate and how many are unimproved lots.

Barbara Hart- 8357 Pineview- not in favor.

Frank Sacha- 9120 Pineview Lake- spoke against.

Robert Edward-15500 Pine Ridge Ct- owns property in back of subdivision. Spoke in favor.

Jan Bard 8447 Pineview- spoke in favor.

Jim Hines- owns vacant parcel- spoke against paying a full assessment cost on vacant parcel.

Scott Duguid 8397 Pineview- Spoke in favor.

Mark Schott- 9125 Pineview- Spoke in favor.

Saad moved acceptance of Resolution 2018-18 Confirmation of Special Assessment Roll.

Seconded by Hallman. Roll call:

Conner, yes, Hallman, no, Saad, yes and Graves, Yes. Schmidt was absent. Motion passed.

Public Hearing closed @ 7:37 p.m.

Meeting was reconvened @ 7:45 p.m.

Correspondence is available to view.

Budget Amendments:

Moved by Hallman, seconded by Conner to approve the Budget Amendments as recommended by the Clerk. Motion passed.

Motion, Graves, second, Hallman to approve payment of expenditures as presented in the board package. Motion passed.

Public comment: None.

Reports:

Police Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Allen gave an oral report. The department participated in the Home Depot Public Safety Days with approximately 100 kids and their parents on October 6th.

On October 7th, the department participated in the Argentine Township Fire Safety Days held at Argentine Township Fire Station.

On October 27th, we participated along with the Michigan State Police and other agencies in the 2018 “Trunk or Treat” event held at the Genesee Valley Mall. Genesee County 911 organized the event.

Fire Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Lafferty said

We are currently at 383 runs. We had a nice turnout at our Open House. I’d like to thank everyone that took the time to get to

know our department and get some fire safety tips. A special thanks to the Open House Committee: Kati Whalen, B.J. Ellsworth, Todd MacDonell, and Terry Balewski, for all the planning they put into another successful event.

We hosted the Genesee County Fire Chiefs Association meeting this month. Thanks to Alpine Market for helping us with the dinner and to Patrick Riney with the Emergency Support Team of BELFOR, for supplying some great desserts.

At the County Chief’s meeting we discussed the group contract with I am Responding (IAR). The contract is a 5-year contract for 13 departments for a total of \$7860.00 or \$605.00 per department, per year. IAR will send each agency a pro-rated refund for any paid/unused portion of their current subscription. The first annual payment will be due on October 31st, 2018. The way the contract is written, Genesee County Fire Chiefs Association is the subscriber and will make the annual payment.

The dispatch equipment has been moved and the radios have been installed in the trucks.

The DOT inspections have been completed on the vehicles.

Sunday the 21st while doing our truck checks we had issues with Engine 11. Every time we would engage the pump it would bog down and stall the truck. We placed it out of service and called Central Apparatus. They came out Monday and were able to troubleshoot the problem and get the truck back in service. They’ve ordered the parts needed to prevent this from happening again.

One of the tires on Engine 13 had a slow leak and was taken in to get repaired. While it was there they noticed the other tires needed to be replaced due to their age and DOT requirements. The tires were able to be ordered at State Bid Pricing.

The battery conditioners have come in and will be installed on the remaining vehicles so we can keep the computers on in the trucks.

Saturday October 27th, our Department participated in the Genesee County 9-1-1 Trunk or Treat.

Building Department- Saad reported 10 permits were issued in the amount of \$3,951.00.

The Planning Commission – Trustee Conner said the Planning Commission is working on a solar panels ordinance. The next meeting is November 8th.

Attorney Report: David Lattie-

Williston case- The Judge gave the Williston's an extra 30 days to obtain new legal counsel.

Hunt case- You can seek quotes on Nov. 1st if this property is not in compliance.

Moved by Saad, seconded by Hallman to authorize the Clerk or Supervisor to seek quotes and accept the lowest qualified quote to bring the property into compliance on November 1, 2018 and place the cost on the tax roll. Motion passed.

Old Business: Open Bids for Building Department renovations-

Moved by Saad, seconded by Graves- to accept the bid from Ed Garrison Sr. in the amount of \$13, 250.00 for Building Department renovations. Motion passed.

New Business:

Cemetery Maintenance-

Our Sexton has obtained quotes to clear the overgrowth of trees and vines from fences and remove shrubs. The lowest qualified company is Miles Tree Service in the amount of \$3,951.

Moved by Graves, seconded by Conner to accept the quote from Miles Tree Service in an amount not to exceed \$2,400. Motion passed.

Royalty Snow Contract-

Moved by Graves, seconded by Conner to authorize Supervisor Saad to sign the 2018-2019 snow removal agreement with Royalty Services Inc. for both the Township Hall and the Police Department. Motion passed.

Public comment: None.

Business from Board Members:

Hallman- None.

Conner- None

Graves- The office will be open for absentee voting on Saturday November 3rd, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The lines will be long. If anyone needs an Absent Voter Ballot Application, they can see me after this meeting.

Saad – I am applying for a Preservation/ Reconstruction Federal grant on behalf of the township.

this is Silver Lake Rd. west of the township Hall to Duffield Rd. this is 2.2 miles, 2 lanes. This is due to our PASER rating scores in the 3-4 range.

Adjournment at 8:25 p.m.

Denise Graves, Clerk

Brian Saad, Supervisor