

Wakeshma Township Board Meeting

August 1, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Supervisor Gatlin. Other board members present were Clerk Fritz, Treasurer Munn and Trustee Thole. 5 citizens present

Motion to approve Consent Agenda made by Clerk Fritz, supported by Treasurer Munn. Approved

Motion to approve Treasurers Report made by Clerk Fritz, supported by Trustee Thole. Approved

CITIZENS COMMENTS – Ron Hawkins for State Representative 45<sup>th</sup> District introduced himself.

Judy Struble indicated that her neighbor to the west dropped a blade and tore up the survey she had done, the law is not willing to do anything about it. Animals and Kids alike are trespassing. The law says it's too trivial to pursue. The fire department won't come out for a building that has been smoldering for three days.

Elma Brockway said there is garbage all over the road constantly at the old Cree property. They also moved another building and barn onto the property. There is lights on 24/7 and spotlights. Nothing can be done unless you have proof, it's all very aggravating. What are citizens supposed to do when the law will not get involved.

John Gisler said he is hearing the same problems from Climax, Comstock, Brady, Pavilion, Prairie Ronde. It was also noted that the Kalamazoo County Fair this year is a 3 day event, 4H oriented with it only open to the public for 2 of those days. No midway, no food concessions. Kalamazoo County will be getting one more additional judge and they are looking at adding a courtroom for this judge. There has not been a new judge added in Kalamazoo County since 1990.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – Motion was made by Supervisor Gatlin to approve IJIA Bridge Improvement Program 2022, supported by Treasurer Munn. Roll Call – Trustee Thole, yes; Clerk Fritz, yes; Supervisor Gatlin, yes; Treasurer Munn, yes – approved.

Motion made by Supervisor Gatlin to approve Zoning Change for Ag Housing, supported by Treasurer Munn. Roll Call – Supervisor Gatlin, yes; Trustee Thole, yes; Treasurer Munn, yes; Clerk Fritz, yes – approved.

ROAD COMMITTEE – none

CORRESPONDENCE – none

ZONING ENFORCEMENT – none

SHERRIFFS REPORT – none

FIRE AUTHORITY UPDATE – The 3 municipalities that voted NO now want another study done. Property on W Avenue is no longer available. 40 thousand dollars was already spent on study. The person who put the \$2500 earnest money down voted no. South County News reported the information wrong.

BOARD COMMENTS – Clerk Fritz requested that if you haven't voted by Absentee then to make sure you appear in person to vote tomorrow. Trustee Thole said that the Planning Committee will be coming soon with a Roll Call Vote for a Solar Resolution.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:23pm by Supervisor Gatlin, supported by Treasurer Munn