

WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 13, 2017

The board meeting was called to order at 7pm by Supervisor Gatlin. Members present were Supervisor Gatlin, Clerk Fritz, Treasurer Munn and Trustees Thole and Bennett. Six citizens, Chris Hamilton from SCMCCI and Danna Downing and Diane Durian from South County Community Services were also present.

Clerk Fritz made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda. Treasurer Munn supported. Voice vote; passed. Clerk Fritz made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Trustee Bennett supported. Voice vote; passed.

Citizens' Comments: Danna Downing presented materials from SCCS and discussed how their services have been used throughout the South County area, and how they would like to help more people in Wakeshma Township. We will be adding materials to our winter tax bills and posting the information on the website. Diane Durian talked about senior services and urged those present to let their friends and neighbors know about all they do and to call them if we know of people who may need assistance.

Supervisor Gatlin was asked what roll he plays in the fire authority. Jason is the Chairman for SKCFA.

Old Business: Supervisor Gatlin informed us that Wakeshma is a dry community according to the state of Michigan. A resolution to allow for the sale of spirits in Wakeshma Township was approved.

Clerk Fritz motioned again to raise the supervisor's salary from \$4400 to \$10,000 per year. Treasurer Munn supported. Roll call vote was taken: Bennett: Yes. Munn: Yes. Gatlin: Abstain. Thole: Yes. Fritz: Yes. The motion was approved.

New Business: The Road Committee will have a meeting on March 21st at 6pm @ Wakeshma Township Hall. They will be meeting with a representative from the Kalamazoo Road Commission.

2017-2018 road project will be multi-year projects. You have to apply PAR funds to a project but you don't have to use all the available funds in the same year. Projects for 2017-2018 will be X Ave from 47th St to west county line and UV Ave from 47th to 48th UV will have HMA and chip seal applied. The cost together with PAR funds is \$61,230. An asset map with road "grades" will be available soon.

Cemetery contract: J&M Outdoor Services put in a bid for \$7800 per year and want a 3-year contract. Supervisor Gatlin made a motion to approve the contract. Trustee Bennett supported. Voice vote; passed.

Zoning update: Chris Hamilton said an attorney would have to research 14038 S 42nd St to find out who owns it. 14101 S 42nd is being cleaned up and showing progress. Yant's property on V has very small progress, but moved stuff from the front yard to the back yard, they were notified that is not allowed. Chris said the Rowe's shed needs to get a variance approval. If they don't want to do that, they will be

asked to move it. They have to do something to make it legal. SCCS has been talking with the Weeks about subsidized housing. They believe the water issue was resolved, but Chris does not know.

Trustee Bennett made a motion to adjourn. Treasurer Munn supported. The Wakeshma Township regular board meeting was adjourned at 8:34.

WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP ANNUAL BOARD MEETING

MARCH 13, 2017

The annual meeting was called to order by Supervisor Gatlin at 8:35pm.

Clerk Fritz made a motion to approve the annual meeting minutes from the March 6th, 2016 meeting. Trustee Thole supported. Voice vote; passed.

Salary resolutions:

Supervisor and Treasurer salaries have been increased to \$10,000 per year while all others remain the same. Clerk Fritz made a motion support by Treasurer Munn to accept the changes in salaries.

Trustee Thole made a motion to have a monthly budget schedule with bills to pay. Clerk Fritz supported. Voice vote; passed.

Approve audit firm Flegal & Melnik for 2017-2018. Trustee Bennett made the motion. Treasurer Munn supported. Voice vote; passed.

Approve insurance carrier Burnham and Flowers insurance for 2017-2018. Clerk Fritz made the motion. Treasurer Munn supported. Voice vote; passed.

Approve election inspectors for 2017-2018. Treasurer Munn made the motion. Trustee Bennett supported. Voice vote; passed.

Authorize Supervisor Gatlin to make final budget adjustments for 2017-2018 fiscal year by 3/31/17. Clerk Fritz made the motion. Treasurer Munn supported. Voice vote; passed.

Approve Appraisals Plus and Ben Brousseau as township assessor. Treasurer Munn made the motion. Trustee Bennett supported. Voice vote; passed.

Clerk Fritz made a motion to approve meeting dates for the Township board and Planning Commission for posting 2017-2018. Treasurer Munn supported. Voice vote; passed.

Approve SCMCCI as township inspectors. Trustee Bennett made the motion. Clerk Fritz supported. Voice vote; passed.

Note that June 5th at 5:30 will be the annual meeting with the Kalamazoo County Road Commission.

Treasurer Munn made a motion to adjourn, supported by Trustee Bennett. Meeting adjourned 8:52pm.