

**Regular Board Meeting Tuesday**  
**January 18, 2022**  
**7:00 p.m.**

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**Minutes**

**The meeting was called to order** at 7:10 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Phil Bombry

**Roll Call:** Board Members Present- Supervisor Wilson, Treasurer Gray, Trustee Morgan were present. Absent-Clerk Morgan and Trustee Benkovsky.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda was offered by Trustee B. Morgan and seconded by Treasurer Gray. Motion passed.

**Motion to approve Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on December 9, 2021 was offered by Treasurer Gray and seconded by Trustee B. Morgan. Motion passed. Motion to approve minutes of the Closed Board Meeting held on December 9, 2021 was offered by Trustee B. Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Wilson. Motion passed.

**Sherriff Report:** Supervisor Wilson read the report. There were 113 calls for the month of December 2021. See printed report.

**Fire Department Report:** Chief Herig reported there were 72 runs in the month of December 2021 and over 700 calls for all of 2021. Chief Herig asked to hire Robert Griffin as a new fire fighter. He was approved earlier, but had to delay joining the department until now. Motion to hire Robert Griffin as a probationary fire fighter pending his physical, driving record and background check was offered by Trustee B. Morgan and seconded by Supervisor Wilson. Motion passed. See printed report.

**Brief Public Comment:** AJ Dewaele presented the Board a Proposal of Ambulance Service and asked for a special meeting to make his presentation. A Special Meeting was set up for January 31 at 7 p.m., with the place to be determined.

Commissioner Rogers that the County received \$21 million under the ARPA Grant. Commissioner Jeremy Whittum reported that 5 Correction Officers and 4 Sheriff Deputies were retiring this year and that 19 more will be done by 2024. The Sheriff's Department will be opening a training program to look for more employees. They might have to do a longevity incentive pay to keep more employees. Jury trials are done until Covid numbers come down. The County is looking at resurfacing M99 this year.

**New Business:**

- A) CU Permit #CU-2-22-3 for Polihonki: After getting all our questions answered, Supervisor Wilson made a motion to support with the addition that a buffer must be added around the property. Supported by Treasurer Gray. Motion passed.
- B) Business Cards: It was decided to get one card with everyone's name and new email address on it, instead of getting individual personalized ones, because it's cheaper and it would include all our contact information.

- C) MTA Conference: Clerk Morgan was interested in going to some of the classes and Supervisor thought he might like to do one day.
- D) Auditor letter of engagement: A motion was made to sign the contract to retain our current auditors Shulze-Oswald Miller & Edwards by Trustee B. Morgan and supported by Supervisor Wilson. Motion passed.
- E) State of Michigan-Charter Township Information: The State of Michigan sent us a letter notifying us that our Township is eligible to become a Charter Township. The letter will be kept on file with the Clerk's office.
- F) Resolution to support Appeal BA-2-22-1 (Hamlin Township): The old Gruesbeck Farm located at the corner of Peck and Holmes was granted a CUP for Agricultural Farming and now they are using the buildings to make CDC Oil. The Board decided to get more paperwork from the County of what has already happened and wait to talk about it at the Special Board Meeting scheduled for January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Unfinished Business:**

- A) Website Update: There was a miscomputation and Supervisor Wilson must now approve all the information the everyone already sent in to them before they can put it on the new website. Supervisor Wilson will be getting back with them.
- B) Phone Systems. Supervisor has a couple of quotes for us to look over and decide at the next Board Meeting.

**Board Reports:**

- A) Supervisor Wilson: Talked with the builder working on the meeting room. He gave us a quote on fixing cracks, painting the whole room and sealing up some holes in the attic. A copy of the quote was emailed to the Clerk.
- B) Treasurer Gray: General Fund Assets Total \$342,255.99. The Clerk will have the report on file.
- C) Clerk Morgan: The Clerks report was read by Supervisor Wilson. Revenues for the month on December 2021 was \$13,766.88. A motion to accept was made by Supervisor Wilson and supported by Treasurer Gray. The motion passed. Expenditures for the month of December 2021 was \$46,021.20. A motion to accept was made by Supervisor Wilson and supported by Trustee B. Morgan. The motion passed. A list was presented listing the bills that were paid in December 2021 to avoid penalty and interest, including payroll and the sexton wages and included a list of the current bills to be paid in January 2022 totaling \$38,160.54. A motion to accept was made by Supervisor Wilson and supported by Treasurer Gray. Motion passed. The Clerk will have the report on file.

**Brief Public Comment:** Comments were made about MTA's website and it was suggested that the Township might want to use some of the ARPA funds to cover water run offs and drain work that is needed, to help the public out.

**Adjournment:** 8:35 p.m. A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Wilson and supported by Treasurer Gray. The motion passed.