

August 3, 2017 7:30 p.m.

Regular Meeti	ing			
Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance				
Roll Call:	Corrin	_Kukulis _	Gross	
	Carlton _	Hedrich	Hemgesberg _	Hornak

- 1. Approval of Agenda (Additions to the agenda will be handled under New Business)
- 2. Approval of Minutes: July 6, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 3. Public Comments: Two Minutes Per Person
 Additional time is provided during Extended Comments
- 4. Committee/Commission Reports:
 - a. County Commissioner Kyle Harris
 - b. County Road Commission Dennis Borchard
 - c. SCTOA Ken Hornak
 - d. Cemetery Committee Peter Hemgesberg, William Hedrich, Frances Kukulis
 - e. Building Official Rob Kehoe
 - f. Ordinance Enforcement Officer Pat Olk
 - g. Parks & Rec Kevin Carlton
 - h. Rehmann Health Center Cathy Gross
 - i. Fire Board Authority Robert Corrin
 - j. Mid Michigan Waste Authority Frances Kukulis
 - k. TASK Force Kevin Carlton
- 5. Board Officials Reports:
 - a. Supervisor
 - b. Clerk
 - c. Treasurer
- 6. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Saginaw County Road Ditching Project Bid & Township Welcome Signs
 - b.
- 7. New Business:
 - a. Consider Township Hall Tree Trimming & Removal
 - b. Consider Mole Removal Contract
 - c. *Consider Board Resolution Authorizing Clerk to Submit New Voting System Grant Application to State on Behalf of Chesaning Township
 - d. *Consider Assessment Payoff Option for the Bear Creek Drain
 - e. *Consider Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Amendments
 - f. *Consider Appointment of Matt Mallory to Planning Commission Board
 - g. *Discuss Town Hall Roof Replacement
- **8. Extended Public Comment:** Two Minutes Per Person
- 9. Extended Township Board Comment:
- 10. Approval of Bills:
- 11. Adjournment:



Chesaning Township Minutes Regular Meeting August 3, 2017 @ 7:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting: Called to order at 7:37 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Supervisor Robert Corrin, Clerk Frances Kukulis, Treasurer Cathy Gross; Trustees: Kevin Carlton,

William Hedrich, Peter Hemgesberg, and Ken Hornak

Members Absent: None

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was presented for approval.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the July 6, 2017 Regular Board Meeting were presented for approval.

Public Comments: None. Committee/Board Reports:

County Commissioner – County Commissioner Kyle Harris updated the Board on County Commission activities; Commissioners have been off for the past two months; the Board in a, 10 yes-1 no, vote agreed to bond for a new jail, he noted he voted yes but since has found the County plans to go back to the voters to fund jail operations, he referred to the situation as a bait and switch; construction of the new jail is estimated at \$35 million however he expects costs to be \$41 million by the time it will be completed; Harris noted he recently voted to remove family planning services from the Rehmann Health Center citing the County is down 5 nurses, the service costs the County \$9,000 to have a nurse available for the clinic and although the County gets reimbursed for the service, with only 7 persons utilizing it, the County lost \$8,600 last year; a meeting is being planned with Rehmann Health Center Board Members to notify them of this situation; additionally Harris noted his frustration with County Officials recent plans for use of taxpayer dollars, noting a \$20,000 place holder the controller put in the budget for a new desk, the Register of Deeds plans for a new conference room instead of using existing rooms, and the County Clerk is seeking 6% salary increases for elected officials. Harris additionally answered questions of Board Members regarding the same topics.

County Road Commission – No one present to report, report of activity was received.

SCTOA – Hornak noted no meeting has been held.

Cemetery – Hedrich noted how good lawn maintenance at the cemetery has been; the number of disinterments from the Riverbank is expected to be 33; the Medical Examiner is currently completing necessary paperwork to accomplish the moves; Doug Misiuk felt the work may begin shortly after the fair is over.

Building Official – No one present to report, monthly report of activity was received.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer - Olk reported a letter was sent to a violator of the cemetery ordinance who understood the consequences of his actions and agreed he would not violate the ordinance again; pictures have been taken and procedures begun on a burned house at 12760 Peet Road, he asked for and was given, Board approval by consensus to file a motion on the homeowner; a house at 15201 Corunna Road has been red tagged and the family is cooperating and getting estimates for its removal; a notice has been sent to 12237 Sharon Road for tall grass and an abandoned vehicle; 7584 Ditch Road has been mowed and is being monitored for improvement on the roof; the lawn at 7849 Ditch Road was getting long again but has now been mowed; 8705 Ditch Road has been cleaned and looks better; 8150 Ferden Road has been sold and is now cleaned-up.

Parks & Rec – Carlton reported the meeting has been postponed to Wednesday, August 9.

Rehmann Health Center – Gross noted reduced clinic operations due to county staffing as Commissioner Harris reported earlier; 1 WIC and 1 immunization clinic are currently scheduled; United Appeal will begin again shortly.

Fire Board – Corrin reported a department wide picnic was held July 23, there was a low turnout, a nice meal was served; new auditors are doing well; tires have been replaced and the brakes repaired on Engine 1; the firefighters received a thank you from the Chamber for working the holiday fireworks, he noted they are additionally working the fair this week and in a couple weeks will work the Old Gas Tractor event.

MMWA – Kukulis reported the next meeting will be held August 14.

Task Force – Corrin noted committee reports were given; an update on signage at the river and discussion on mile marker signs took place.

Board Officials Reports:

Supervisor – Corrin noted the Saginaw County Fair is ongoing through August 5; he asked Hemgesberg to give an update of the Planning Commission meeting from the night before; Hemgesberg stated 15-20 people were here seeking Township approval of an ordinance to allow a cannabis factory using the slogan "seed to sale" to refer to the business. Visitors indicated a money backer from Monroe wants to purchase the old Farmer Peet building and make it a cannabis factory; he indicated the Planning Commission informed them the Board has to act with the favor of our residents. He noted the State and the MTA have not yet taken a position on this and MTA is currently recommending no action be taken. He added the Planning Commission Board is not going to just jump into an ordinance without researching it; he does believe the Board will eventually have to address the issue. Corrin additionally reported July Board of Review met and handled 10 issues; an invitation to Chesaning's 170th Birthday Celebration has been received from the Chamber; the Gasper Road Bridge is coming along, the box culvert was set about 2 weeks ago; it has become necessary for an asphalt repair over the tube recently replaced on Niver Road, this work will be done in place of budgeted hot patch work due to the urgent need; the repair tube on Frandsche Road has been placed and will be chip-n-sealed.

Clerk – Kukulis noted she has recently responded to 2 FOIA requests; upon completion of tallying the Master Plan surveys they were sent on to Rowe; the payroll/worker's compensation audit was just completed; the new town hall sign has been installed.

Treasurer – Gross reported tax collections have slowed, she expects them to pick back up at the end of August; Board of Review changes are being worked on; interest rates on investments is still very low and would tie funds up for too long; busy as usual.

Unfinished Business:

Saginaw County Road Ditching Project Bid & Township Welcome Signs – Corrin reported the owner requesting the road ditching project work has backed off from the project once he was informed of the costs. After some discussion the Board through consensus decided to hold off on updating or adding welcome signs at this time.

New Business:

Consider Township Hall Tree Trimming and Removal – Hedrich noted there is one dead mountain ash tree and three additional sick trees on the town hall property; Gross noted she inquired with McDonald's Nursery in Saginaw and the three trees can be treated to kill the borers; additionally discussed trimming the large walnut trees on the property where branches are hanging low over the roof and the light and possible removing them to prevent future problems. The Board by consensus agreed the ash trees should be treated and quotes sought to trim or remove the nut trees.

Consider Mole Removal Contract – Corrin asked the Board to consider a proposal from Robert Giesken for mole removal at the Cemetery through the end of the 2017 season at a cost of \$1,000.

Consider Board Resolution Authorizing Township Clerk to Submit New Voting System Grant Application to the State on Behalf of Chesaning Township – Kukulis asked the Board to consider the resolution so the new voting system grant paperwork can be submitted to the State when requested. New equipment is expected to be received in 2018.

Consider Assessment Payoff Option for the Bear Creek Drain – Corrin informed the Board the County has notified the Township their share of the Bear Creek Drain assessment is \$123,225. Payments, in full or partial, can be made on the assessment and if received by the County prior to September 1 will avoid interest. Unpaid balances would be spread with interest to be paid over 15 years. The Board discussed the impact on fund balance, if a partial or full payment should be made, and the real possibility of additional large drain assessments coming from the County and the impact those assessments will have on future budgets. The decision to pay the assessment in full from fund balance was made.

Consider Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Amendments – Kukulis gave the Board details of the General Fund cash reserve balance and presented an amendment to the budget moving \$123,000 from Fund Balance to revenues and budgeting an additional \$123,000 to expenses in the Drain Fund to cover the pay off of the Bear Creek Drain assessment as proposed.

Consider Appointment of Matthew Mallory to Planning Commission Board - Corrin asked the Board to consider appointing Matt Mallory to the Planning Commission effective immediately, August 3, to fill a vacancy on the board.

Discuss Town Hall Roof Replacement – Hedrich reminded the Board the town hall roof was budgeted for and needs replacement. Discussion on asphalt compared to metal and cost and durability of each took place; it was noted nuts from the trees could damage a metal roof if the trees were not removed. Additionally discussed, timing of a sealed bid process and getting the work accomplished before the weather would no longer allow it. The Board decided to table future discussion until the February or March meeting of next year.

Extended Public Comment: None.

Extended Township Board Comment: None

Items Approved:

- Motion by Hedrich, support by Hornak, to approve the agenda, as presented, with the additions of the following items under New Business, Item c) Consider Board Resolution Authorizing Clerk to Submit New Voting System Grant Application to State on Behalf of Chesaning Township, Item d) Consider Assessment Payoff Option for the Bear Creek Drain, Item e) Consider Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Amendments, Item f) Consider Appointment of Matt Mallory to Planning Commission Board, Item g) Discuss Town Hall Roof Replacement. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hedrick, to approve the July 6, 2017 Regular Board Meeting minutes, as presented. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Kukulis, support by Gross to accept a proposal from Robert Giesken to trap moles in the cemetery for the balance of the 2017 season at a cost of \$1,000.00. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Carlton to adopt a resolution authorizing the Township Clerk to submit a grant
 application to the State, on behalf of Chesaning Township, for the purchase of a new voting system. Roll Call Vote –
 Yes: Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hedrich, support by Hemgesberg, to pay the Bear Creek drain assessment of \$123,225.00 in full up front prior to the September 1, 2017 deadline to avoid interest costs. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Carlton, support by Hornak to amend the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget, moving \$123,000 from Fund Balance into revenues and budget an additional \$123,000 to the Drain Fund. Roll Call Vote – Yes: Carlton, Hedrich, Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hemgesberg, support by Hedrich to appoint Matt Mallory, effective August 3, 2017, to fill a vacancy on the Planning Commission Board with a term ending March 31, 2018. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Hornak, support by Hedrich, to pay bills, as presented. Bills totaled \$33,416.71. Roll Call Vote Yes: Hornak, Hemgesberg, Gross, Kukulis, Carlton, Hedrich, Corrin. No: None. Motion Carried.
- Motion by Carlton, support by Hemgesberg, to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 p.m. Motion Carried.

Frances M. Kukulis, Clerk Chesaning Township