

Casnovia Township Regular Board Meeting

September 13, 2021

7:00pm

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Call to Order- Supervisor Kelli Ashbaugh Called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees Steve Sower and Jason Jorgensen, Clerk Rachelle Helmuth, Treasurer Penny Muma, Fire Chief Dennis Deems are in attendance. Residents in attendance were George Rusco, Marge Rusco, Ron Drent and John Behler. Non-residents in attendance were Jody Hyde, Paul Galdes and David Johnson.

Agenda Approval-

Motion by Penny Muma to approve the agenda. Seconded by Jason Jorgensen. Approved.

Minutes Approval-

Motion by Jason Jorgensen to approve the Minutes. Seconded by Rachelle Helmuth. Approved.

Public Comment-

NONE

Reports-

1. Infrastructure Alternatives O & M Report:
 - A. Interviewing Engineers for Bailey Sewer Project
 - i. Moore + Bruggink: Was not in attendance.
 - ii. Fleis & Vandenbrink: Wastewater Planning Grant. Looking at the best solution for our sewer system. Looking at do a low-income survey so we can get grants to help pay for some of the cost to fix the sewer concerns. USDA Rural Development is helping Casnovia Township investigate solutions for the drainfield. Rachelle Helmuth motioned to hire Fleis & Vandenbrink to investigate options, complete grant application, and to complete a cost benefit analysis. Jason Jorgensen Second. Roll Call Vote Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Approved.
2. Senior Resources: Lunch was at the Bailey church on September 9, 2021. 44 people signed in and had 10 take out dinners. Sax Mahoney came to speak to our seniors about

the mobile library that Muskegon County offers along with other opportunities that Muskegon County offers. Next Senior Lunch is October 14, 2021, at 11:00am.

3. Fire Department:
 - a. The fire department responded to 20 incident calls.
 - b. THE NEW TRUCK IS HERE!!!! Thank you to the people Casnovia Township.
 - c. Annual Ham Supper is from 4pm-7pm on October 9th. John Behler is getting donations together for the silent action.
 - d. Water donation for the fire fighters is going to get picked up Friday.
4. Treasurer: Collecting taxes. Waiting on the commissioner for approval for expenditures submitted to the senior Allocations Funds for Casnovia Township.
5. Clerk: Penny Muma motion to pay the bills Jason Jorgensen seconded. Approved.
6. Zoning Administrator Report/PC Update: In the packet
7. Supervisor: None

Board Action Items-

1. Deputy Clerk – Approve Abigail Hayden: Rachelle Helmuth motioned to Approve Abigail as Deputy Clerk Penny Muma Second. Approved.
2. Election Worker Pay Increase: Kelli Ashbaugh motioned to increase election pay up to \$12.00 an hour or in line with Ravenna current election pay, and Jason Jorgensen second. Approved.
3. Great Lakes Energy Cooperative Franchise: Kelli Ashbaugh motioned to approve the Great Lakes Energy franchise agreement for 10 years. Attorney will handle the Metro Permit. We will contact Great Lakes Energy regarding publishing full agreement or summary cost. Jason Jorgensen Second. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Passed.
4. Subdivision Ordinance 2021-03: Jason Jorgensen Motion for Subdivision Ordinance 2021-3 and fee Schedule Steve Sower Second. Roll Call Vote Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Approved.
5. Review Solar Ordinance: Review Ordinance and go to the Planning commission Meeting. On September 23, 2021, at 7:00pm.

Discussion Items-

1. Board Comments: Talked about office responsibilities and how to distribute them. Discussed landscape contract and quality of work. Talked about township properties and how they are maintained.

Adjournment-

Motion to adjourn at 9:18 p.m. by Steve Sower, Seconded by Jason Jorgensen. Next Meeting date October 11, 2021, at 7 p.m.

Rachelle Helmuth, Clerk