

**Allegan Township Board Meeting**  
**May 6, 2019**  
**7:30 PM**

- I. Call to Order
  - A. Pledge and Invocation
  
- II. Roll Call
  - A. Supervisor Steve Schulz, Clerk Linda Evans, Treasurer Jane Waanders, Trustee Mike Bender and Trustee Jim Connell were present.
  
- III. Approve Minutes of April 1, 2019 Regular Meeting
  - A. Connell/Bender made motion to approve with minutes standing approved as read.
  
- IV. Reports
  - A. Professional Code Inspectors (PCI), Building Inspector
    - 1. There were eight permits pulled in April with two new homes included.
    - 2. Permit fees totaled \$2,295.00.
    - 3. It was noted April 2018 had 12 permits and four homes.
  - B. Fritz Spreitzer, Board of Appeals Chair
    - 1. Was not present but member Ted Heckman noted there was no business at April's regular meeting but will have two special meetings in May.
  - C. Ted Heckman, Planning Commission Chair
    - 1. They will have their regular meeting next week and will have a special meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - D. Larry Brown, Allegan County Road Commission
    - 1. Brown was not present but left message that LED enhanced stop-signs are now being installed in various places throughout the County as Road Commission has purchased ten and one will be placed at the corner of 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 30<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - E. Max Thiele, County Commissioner – 3<sup>rd</sup> District
    - 1. Handed out the "Property Tax Limitation Act" and "Property Tax Millage Limitations in Michigan" information to all in attendance noting Commissioners will look at putting a tax proposal on the 2020 ballot.
      - a. They would like to set up a County Tax Allocation Board.
  - F. Other Reports
    - 1. *M-40/M-89 Corridor* – Linda – meeting was held last Tuesday and special speaker was from the Michigan State Police talking about their trainings.
  
- V. Public Comment
  - A. There was nothing.

VI. Old Business

- A. Marijuana Inspection Class for Fire Inspectors
  - 1. Heckman had asked last month about the class and learned Chief Brink and another person went to Lansing to learn what to look for as fire inspectors.
- A. Parking Lot Maintenance
  - 1. We have used Tustins several times in the past and their quote includes widening each entrance on one side.
  - 2. Evans/Connell made motion to approve which passed with an aye vote with Treasurer Waanders asking if quote was just for front or completely around hall and learned it is all the parking lot.
- B. SRTS Update (Delayed and Won't Be Bid Out Until July)
  - 1. There are quite a few sidewalks from Dawson, West Ward, middle school and high school.
  - 2. Not sure if the work will get done this year.
- C. Update on Proposed Amendments Recommended by Planning Commission
  - 1. Didn't have the time to put it together so it will be postponed until next month.
  - 2. Benders/Waanders made motion to table until next month and it passed with an aye vote.

VII. New Business

- A. State Revenue (Jan & Feb 2018 - \$56,918) (Jan & Feb – 2019 - \$58,236)
- B. CDARS Agreement
  - 1. Waanders explained we had been investing in collateralized CDs for past four-five years through our Chemical Bank and she had prepared for investing monies for this fiscal year and learned program had now switched to CDARS, with Chemical Bank not even being aware of it.
  - 2. Since it is now a new program there is the need to have permission from the Board for her as treasurer and Evans as clerk to invest.
  - 3. CDs have been used to help keep monies in our ten checking accounts under the \$250,000 threshold per account with Supervisor Schulz noting it is a good way to maximize our interest also.
  - 4. Schulz/Connell made motion to grant permission for treasurer/clerk to switch from collateralized CDs to CDARS and permission to sign agreement to do so.
    - a. The measure passed with an aye vote.
  - 5. Trustee Connell commented it put the township "between a rock and a hard place" with Chemical Bank not telling us and suggested we "shop around" at other banks in the coming year for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.
- C. DEQ Application for Recycling Program
  - 1. Waanders said our recycling is being used as a garbage service/junk yard for everyone and it is costing township money as we have to pay for the weighed garbage that is removed from the recyclables.

2. We have recently started financially supporting Lakeshore Advantage who happens to have a grant writer who has helped us write a proposed grant for \$26,540.00 which is at least a 25% match grant.
    - a. We have a better chance of getting a grant with putting more of our own funds into it.
    - b. The monies would be used for concrete extension, concrete work, chain link fencing installation, a 20-foot electrical pole and lighting and a recycling area camera installation.
  3. Connell asked about the quarterly reports to be done and learned we would have to show actual bills as this is a reimbursement grant.
  4. Waanders asked for a motion which would be retroactive to apply for grant and permission to accept grant with Connell/Benders making such motion which passed with an aye vote.
- D. Solar Sign Alert System
1. This is a continuation from IV. D above with it noted township might consider one at the corner of 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Dumont Road.
- E. Approve Final 2018-2019 Budget Amendments
1. Evans noted these will finalize the fiscal year just ended.
  2. Waanders/Bender made motion with it passing with an aye vote.

VIII. Pay Bills

- A. General Fund
1. \$44,393.18 in bills were presented for payment with motion made by Connell/Waanders to approve which passed following roll call.

IX. Correspondence

- A. There was none.

X. Other Items of Interest and Concern

- A. Heckman noted the bathrooms look real nice.

XI. Adjourn

Waanders/Connell made motion to adjourn with meeting closing at 8:24 PM.