Monterey Township Meeting Minutes

February 2022

Call to order, Roll call and Pledge of Allegiance

A meeting of Monterey Township Board was held on 02/07/2022 at 7:01 pm.

Board members included:

Citizens present: 5

Supervisor	Henry Reinart
Clerk	Megan Frank
Treasurer	Julie DeHaan
Trustee	Eric Commons
Trustee	Jerry Williams

Public Comment: None

1. Visiting Officials:
    a. Max Thiele – Court house open. Transportation mileage passed in last election, enhances pick up and delivery. Also brought N-95 masks from the Health Department. Will continue to give out masks until supply is gone. To sterilize mask, place in a brown bag, isolate for 5-7 days.
    b. Rachelle Smit – Running for State Representative for the 43rd district.
    c. Assessors – March BOR Organization Meeting coming up 03/08/2022. Hearing and Appeals on 03/14 and 03/15.
2. Township Board Members:
    a. Frank – Financials done/ bills paid. End of year items complete and mailed out. Looking for more election inspectors. 3 Elections this year. Recertified a few containers (enough for this year's election).
    b. Commons – Nothing
    c. Reinart – Received notice from MTA about because of our 2020 Census numbers, our State Rev & Sharing number. Also MTA stated changes coming to small business and personal property tax thresholds.
    d. DeHaan – Property Taxes coming to close. 02/14 is the last day. Michigan Paving & Materials requesting W-9.
    e. Williams - Nothing
3. Other Township boards (Planning/ZBA/etc.):
    a. Planning board – Nothing exciting.
    b. ZBA – Has not met.
4. Other boards (Fire/EMS/Library/etc.):
    a. Fire – Approved budget (discussed later). Salem received LUCUS machine donated from Gun Lake Casino.
    b. EMS - Financial commitment decreasing due to population. 2 new ambulances almost being done built. Should be delivered sometime this spring. Brenda Mays to apply for a grant for a new ambulance also.
    c. Library – Director search continuing. Next meeting 2/8/2022

    d.   Broadband – Thought about doing a milage since all of ARPA funds will not cover. County looking for commitment from Townships. Looking at 2 serious applications for Project Manager for Broadband group. Megan to rewrite letter to Board of Commissioners about dedicating Monterey Township ARPA funds.

Motions:
- Reinart motion to approve January meeting minutes. Commons supports.
    - o 5 Yays / 0 Nays. Motion approved.
- Frank motion to approve financials. DeHaan supports.
    - o 5 Yays / 0 Nays. Motion approved.
- Frank motion to approve paying bills. DeHaan supports.
    - o 5 Yays / 0 Nays. Motion approved.

Unfinished business
1. Blight/Zoning Updates: Ticket sent to Krcatovich was not addressed. Judge just sent a compliance order. Looking to let PCI to receive bids around April meeting, and Board to approve a bid around May meeting.
2. Cemetery Maintenance:
    a. Stone Repairs – Waiting till spring.
    b. Tree Trimming – Waiting on Consumers.
3. Township policy book: Pushed to next meeting.
4. ARPA Funding: Final Guide has changed. Broadband group to move forward with trying to receive commitments from Allegan County Townships.
5. Hazard Mitigation Plan: Resolution was not approved at last meeting due to missing language about gas lines. Scott Corbin stated that there was nothing they could do since it was State/Private.
6. Fire Cost Recovery Ordinance: Lawyers reviewed. Henry to post to the newspaper.
7. Master Plan Survey: Still ongoing on the website. Open until the end of February. Planning Commission to use when making updates to the Master Plan. Brian did place survey on property assessments.
8. 2022 Lawn Care: Spoke with Property Resolution LLC. Excited to continue service. So will be increasing proposal and will discuss at Work Meeting (02/21/2022).
9. 2022 Gravel: Spoke about at Jan Meeting. Gravel prices increasing. Road Commission will notify when issue bills. 127th between 132nd and 36th as well as 34th St between 127th and 128th. Potentially $50,000. To be pushed to next meeting.
10. Budget Workshop: Will begin working on Budget for 2022/2023. Meeting scheduled for 02/21/2022.
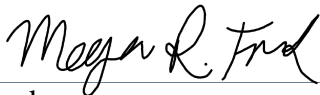
New Business:

1. 2023 Road Project: Need to officially approve Reconstruction project 28th st between 134th and 136th.
    a. Williams motions to official have remonstration project of 28th st between 134th and 136th. DeHaan supports.
        i. 5 Yays/ 0 Nays. Motion approved.
2. Sweeris Special Use Permit: Looking to on build a home on 132nd this spring. 40-acre parcel. Planning Commission approved special use permit and sight plan.

a. Frank motion to approve sight plan. DeHaan supports.
      i. 5 Yays/ 0 Nays. Motion approved.
      ii. Henry will notify PCI to release permit.
3. Save Harbor CAC Request: Did not show.
4. Water Tanks: If Henry to obtain 2500 gal tanks, would board have a problem with setting them out where recycling station. Henry to look into it more.
5. Planning Commission Appointment: Have a couple spots opening up.
   a. Reinart motions to nominate Earl Collier and Brenda Mays for a term ending in 2025. Williams supports.
      i. 5 Yays/ 0 Nays. Motion approved.
6. ZBA Appointment: One spot open.
   a. Reinart would like to nominate Kyle Bockheim for a term ending in 2025.
      i. 5 Yays/0 Nays. Motion approved.
7. Hopkins Fire Budget: $236,925 price last year. Increase a little.
   a. Williams motion to approve fire budget. Commons supports.
      i. 5 Yays/ 0 Nays. Motion approved.
   b. Currently paying Salem Fire Department $16,800. Would like to raise price to $19,000 to be in effect for about 5 years.
8. Township Emails: Henry to forward all emails from clerk@montereytownship.org to clerk.montereytownship@gmail.com

Public Comment – Clean up for cemetery? To be schedule towards end of April.

Adjournment – DeHaan motion to adjourn. Commons supports. 5 Yays / 0 Nays. Motion approved. Adjourn 8:26pm.

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Megan Frank
Monterey Township Clerk

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Date of approval