

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date 5/3/18

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALEGANCE 6:30PM Guest Count 1 Resident Count 15

Present: Conway, Iutzi, LaBoda, Wright Absent: Duby

Conway moved to approve the agenda, supported by Iutzi, All in favor. **MC**

Treasurer's report read by LaBoda, motion to approve by Iutzi, 2nd by Conway All in favor. **MC**

Reading of April minutes by LaBoda, motion to approve by Conway 2nd by Iutzi All in favor. **MC**

Invoices read by LaBoda motion to approve and pay bills by Iutzi, 2nd by Conway All in favor. **MC**

Guest: Sandy Bristol, County Commissioner gave updates on county business including; the county joined the Morgue Authority out of Big Rapids. Sandy attended a Michigan Association of Counties Workshop that covered topics on dealing with grumpy people, mental health issues and police issues. She learned that townships have more power than the county when it comes to enforcing ordinances. Lori Ware-Phelps gave a presentation on how Senior Services helps local economy at the last County Commissioners meeting. The Sheriff Department was approved to use grant money to purchase a new ORV. Sandy attended the Recovery Court Graduation. There have been 49 graduates since the program began.

Public Comments: Dan Bulmer asked about still using the recycle bin. The bin is still in use but will be removed soon. **Michael Lennemann** expressed concern over the silt going into the river on Athey. Hopefully that issue will be resolved with work that will be done over the summer.

There will be an Author Luncheon and Presentation at the Harrison District Library on May 24 at noon with Michigan author of True Crime, Mardi Link. Registration is required by calling the Library at 539-6711.

Denise Goodenow, Planning Commission Chair stated they met on April 10th. Next meeting will be May 8th along with a public hearing regarding fencing. Stacy Stocking could not attend the last meeting as planned but will be at the next meeting to discuss green cemeteries. Discussion on Solar Farms is tabled until June.

Mark Janeczko, Zoning & Blight Enforcement has issued 2 permits and has 2 variance request. Incoming complaints include, barking dogs, loud generators, illegal campers in wet lands and an illegal well. Mark stated research shows when blight is cleaned up crime goes down 80%.

Mike Conway gave a report from attending the Emergency Management meeting including that there will be a renewal with no increase for 911, however, Governor Snyder did increase the tax money on phone bills. There are concerns about the increase in Hepatitis A cases that is spread through food consumption. The cost to outfit one fireman is \$3,500 and there is 300 hours of training per man.

New Business: Conway moved to contract with Statewide Surveying to complete the staking of burial spaces in the new section of the cemetery on Hoover not to exceed \$3,840, supported by LaBoda All in favor. **MC**

Old Business: Budget meeting dates will be May 10th and June 14th. The Siren sounded on schedule

Conway moved to adjourn at 7:27pm supported by Iutzi, all in favor. **MC**