



LEROY TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING

March 20, 2018

Called to order at 9:02 a.m. @ 8146 4 Mile Road. Prayer and Pledge followed.

Present: Supervisor Laveta Hardish, Treasurer Mark Christoff, Clerk Brenda Schuetz, Trustee Doug Chapman and Trustee Jon Bolton.

Motion to approve meeting agenda as written made by Treasurer Mark Christoff and seconded by Trustee Jon Bolton. Motion carried.

Guests: Tracie Tomak introduced herself as well as her niece Ashley Tomak who will be doing social media campaigning for her election. Tracie asked us to endorse her for District Judge at the 10th District Court. Jarek Jones made comments about the roads and whether we got the information out to our residents and wanted clarification on the millage options for road improvement. Laveta shared the results of the cards that were sent out asking the residents what they prefer to do about the roads: 166 residents wanted a 15-year, 4.9 mil proposal on the August ballot to treat all local road in a 3-year time frame with a 50/50 County match; 81 residents wanted a special assessment of approximately \$300 on 1600 of the 1850 parcels for 15 years to treat every local road in a 3-year time frame; 30 residents preferred a 1 mil local road repair with a 70%Leroy/ 30% County match and 58 residents preferred to do nothing.

Consent Agenda: Motion to approve the February 27th Regular Board Meeting Minutes, the 4th Quarter Budget Report, the financial report as written and post approve of February 2018 bills in the amount of \$32,921.02 and to place Communication & Departmental Reports on file made by Clerk Brenda Schuetz and seconded by Trustee Jon Bolton. Motion carried.

Trustee Jon Bolton updated the board on the Planning Commission Meeting. The kennels on ½ Mile were approved, no one had any issues with the storage units on Capital Avenue and will be up for review in April for rezoning. They talked about agriculture related businesses and solar energy. Discussed urban chickens as well and no roosters.

Regular board meeting was recessed and called to order the Public Budget Hearing at 5:30 for the 2018-2019 Budget year. \$600,671.32 revenues and matching expenditures were presented and outlined. Assessing went up to account for the many properties the assessors will be re-appraising, Dispatch fees went down this year and we are showing a carryover from savings of \$37,881.65 to balance revenues and expenditures. Laveta has asked the Calhoun County Road Department to install flashing lights on 2-1/2 Mile and H Drive So. Intersection coming up to the stops. They will include these lights in a safety grant application that will be awarded for work in 2021! Also indicated that a study will be conducted on D Drive by Station 66 to see what measures can be done to make that area safer when they have big events such as No Parking signs along D Drive and Capital Ave. S.W.

Public Budget Hearing closed at 5:39 and reconvened regular board meeting.

Open Business: None

New Business:

A motion to approve payment to Calhoun County Consolidated Dispatch Authority for the 2nd Quarter Dispatch Calls for \$4,165.08 made by Trustee Jon Bolton and seconded by Trustee Doug Chapman. Motion carried.

A motion to post approve payment for \$6,784.69 for Fire Department Ceiling remodel to Oak & Steel Builders, LLC made by Trustee Jon Bolton and seconded by Clerk Brenda Schuetz. Motion carried.

A motion to post approve payment for the balance of \$4,832.50 to Paul D Bouvrette Electric, LLC for the updated lighting in the Fire Department made by Trustee Jon Bolton and seconded by Clerk Brenda Schuetz. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt General Appropriations Act 2018-03-01 allowing the Supervisor and Clerk to make changes as necessary, showing \$600,671.32 revenues and matching expenditures for our budget made by Treasurer Mark Christoff and Trustee Jon Bolton. Doug voiced that the budget should be amended \$6,250.00 for a park & recreation plan to be prepared by an engineer for Graham Lake Park to allow the township to apply for DNR grants. Laveta had omitted the cost thinking that this was not the time to ask the public about recreational spending when roads are in such disrepair. The board approved increasing the Planning and Zoning Engineer line to \$9,750.00 and total Appropriations to \$606,921.32, the Carryover from savings will change to \$44,131.65, and the Revenue Budget changed to \$606,921.32 to allow the increase to the Planning and Zoning budget for a park and rec engineering plan. Trustee Jon Bolton amended his prior motion to the General Appropriations Act and Trustee Doug Chapman seconded. Roll call passed.

A motion was made to approve the 2018-19 Bank Depositories made by Trustee Jon Bolton and seconded by Trustee Doug Chapman. Motion carried.

Supervisor Hardish added to the agenda to purchase a drop box with a snorkel opening so people can drive up and drop off payments and other material from their cars. It was the consensus of the board to proceed with the purchase. We closed by Supervisor Hardish asking the board to paint circles around potholes with the cans of paint she provided.

Next Board meeting is set for April 17, 2018 at 5 p.m. Adjourned at 6:15p.m.

Respectfully, Brenda Schuetz, Clerk