

Mason Township Board Meeting
Regular Meeting
December 10, 2019

Supervisor Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and the pledge of allegiance was given.

Roll Call: Trustee Allen, Arnold, Treasurer Chew, Supervisor Brandt, and Clerk Dull. All present.

Public Comments: Resident Mary Martin inquired about the St. Joe ISD School millage on her tax bill. She wanted it compared to Edwardsburg School system millage. Treasurer Chew is looking into the matter. Also, Sheriff Behnke informed the board about two organizations. Cass County Animal Control program, Christmas for Animals, had a fundraiser for dog and cat food and donations. The "Shop with a Cop" program will take place this weekend for kids from Calvin, Edwardsburg and Cass. A reminder to purchase dog tags from the County Treasurer or your animal's vet. Sheriff Behnke said there are two females in the Cass County jail who have completed their high school studies while in jail and will be receiving their diploma. Cass County jail is one of very few jails that allow inmates in this program.

Approve Agenda: Trustee Allen made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Arnold. Motion carried.

Approval of consent agenda: Trustee Arnold made the motion, seconded by Trustee Allen, to approve the consent agenda of last month's minutes, financial obligations for Nov. 13 - Dec. 10 of \$5,699.68 and the Treasurers' report. Roll call vote – Chew-yes, Arnold-yes, Allen-yes, Dull-yes and Brandt-yes. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Commissioner Marchetti reported on attending a Census Class. Everyone will receive an instruction postcard on or before March 12. Please following the instruction and complete the form by computer or phone. If you would like to be a census worker the pay is \$20 per hour, go to a computer and type in Census. Also, there is "local artwork" for sale at the Old Courthouse location. Commissioner Dyes report on the "SMART" counties. More information coming.

Zoning Administrator reported no new cases.

Planning Commission – PC member David Allen reported the commission went over land divisions and other items on their agenda. No meeting in December.

SEPSA report was given by representative Arnold. Mason Township had 32 runs for November and 3 fire runs, no house fires,

Building Dept. - 5 electrical, 1 mechanical, 2 plumbing and 2 building permits were issued in December.

Ongoing Business:

1. We received a letter from Ontwa Twp. confirming their interest in the speed limit signs for Christiana Lake Rd. Joe Bellina will be contacted to redo the study of traffic.

New Business:

1. Trustee Arnold made the motion to approve the 1- year lease on parcel 14-060-017-322-40 and 14-060-017-321-60, seconded by Clerk Dull. Motion carried.
2. Trustee Arnold made the motion to accept the Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Agreement with Comcast. Seconded by Treasurer Chew. Motion carried.
3. Trustee Allen made the motion to approve the 2020 board meeting dates. Seconded by Trustee Arnold. Motion carried.
4. Trustee Allen made the motion to approve Andy Yeo to the SEPSA board. Seconded by Treasurer Chew. Motion carried.
5. The date of Jan. 7, 7pm was set for the budget meeting.

Correspondence: none

Dates: Township Board meeting – Jan. 14th, 7pm

Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Allen, seconded by Trustee Arnold at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Dull,
Township Clerk