

Mason Township Board Meeting
Regular Meeting
February 8, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Brandt and pledge of allegiance recited.

Roll call – Allen, Arnold, Chew, Dull and Brandt. All board members present.

Supervisor Brandt welcomed the audience and asked to public comment.

Christine Levan asked if the board members knew if the prosecutor has taken any action on her neighbor's property. There was discussion on this subject.

Trustee Allen commented that Cass County Roads are not being plowed and are terrible. There was discussion on this subject.

Trustee Arnold made the motion to approve tonight's agenda with the additions of New Business, item 7. Approve John Hanson to the PC. and 8. Approve special use permit application. Seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried.

Trustee Arnold made the motion to approve the consent agenda – last month's minutes, budget meeting minutes, treasurer's report, payables for approval, seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call vote – Chew yes, Allen yes, Arnold yes, Dull yes, and Brandt yes. Motion carried.

Reports: Commissioner Marchartti reviewed the last meeting in January. The commissioners' approved new hardware to the 911 center. Animal Control Center will hold the next clinic Feb. 12, 9-1pm for vaccinations of dogs and cats. New 4-H coordinator is Lorene Witham. New Friend of the Court is Raven Bakeman. Treasurer Anderson reported the Treasurer office has streamlined the process to pay delinquent taxes on line with a credit card. Telamon Corp will hold officer hours in the county every Thursday from 8am-5pm and will be available by phone on Wednesdays. They will assist residents with delinquent mortgages, taxes and/or utilities to apply for assistances thru the Michigan Homeowners Assistance Fund.

Zoning Administrator Krempec reported it will be May or June before the house on Kessington Rd. will go to probate.

Planning Chairperson Cloud reported the County PC commented on Mason Twp. Master Plan. It was the best they have read. GOOD JOB. They will hold a PC meeting on March 15, 6:30pm.

Building Dept. - no electrical permits, 2 building permits, 4 mechanical permits, and 1 plumbing permit.

Unfinished business:

1. Quote from Dowagiac Heating \$18,950 - tabled, waiting for another quote
2. Quote to upgrade bathrooms – tabled

New Business:

1. Trustee Arnold made the motion, seconded by Trustee Allen to accept the 2022-23 budget. Roll call vote – Allen yes, Arnold yes, Chew yes, Dull yes and Brandt yes. Motion carried.
2. Thad Bessinger, C & E Excavating co-owner, wanted to know if there was a special land use permit application for their parcel on US 12. He gave a brief summary of the company's use of the land and what he would like to develop in the future. Zoning Adm. Krempec will check the file for the application.
3. Supervisor Brandt presented the resignation of Tony Land from the Board of Review. Trustee Allen made the motion to accept this resignation, seconded by Trustee Arnold. Motion carried.

4. Trustee Arnold made the motion to accept Jonathan Levan to the Board of Review, seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried.
5. Trustee Arnold made the motion, seconded by Trustee Allen, to adopt the 2018 plumbing code. Motion carried.
6. Trustee Arnold asked the board to table the discussion on the Short- term/Immediate needs list from SEPSA. Mike Holderman, fire chief, could not be with us.
7. Supervisor Brandt sent the application for John Hanson to the PC for their recommendation.
8. Trustee Allen made the motion to approve the "Application for special land use" permit. Seconded by Trustee Arnold. Motion carried.

Dates: Constantine School Board Informational Mtg – Bond Proposal – March 2, 6PM
Board of Review – March 8, 6pm, March 14 3-9pm, March 18 9am-3pm
Mason Township Board – March 8, 7 pm
Planning Commission – March 15, 6:30pm

Trustee Arnold made the motion to adjourn at 8:15pm, seconded by Trustee Allen. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Dull
Township Clerk