

**MACKINAW TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
10595 WALLICK RD, MACKINAW CITY, MI
OCTOBER 20, 2020**

Supervisor Smydra called the meeting to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

All Board members present: Brew, Closs, Falor, Munns, Smydra. Also present: Assessor Joe Lavender, and Matthew Quick.

Motion by Brew, supported by Closs to approve the Agenda with addition of New Business #3-Air BNB.

Motion carried.

Motion by Brew, supported by Munns to approve the September 15, 2020 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Reports

1. Lavender is setting up a google drive that will contain township assessment policies, ECF and land and sales analysis for each fiscal year.
2. The Village is seeking funds to purchase a Fire rescue pumper truck.
3. The State website: Michigan.gov/vote and the Township website: mackinawtownship.com are resources for election information.

Unfinished Business

1. The manager of the County Road commission has determined that they will not take any further steps to cover the ditch at the property at 10679 Steve Drive since the section of yard that has been dug out is on the County right of way.

Motion by Brew, supported by Falor to send Mrs. Gaye Thompson a letter informing her of the decision by the Road commission and informing her that she can pursue this matter further by contacting the Road commission directly. Motion carried.

2. There would be better drainage and less potholes on Potter and Stimpson roads if the trees were cut back and the ditch was dug out. Freedom road is also in need of repair. This will be discussed in the new year when the Road commission has their new budget and possible matching funds are available.
3. The County is moving forward to obtain bids for the Designated Assessor position.
4. The proposed revision to the Credit card policy was discussed. Smydra will revise the wording. This was tabled until next month.

The Preauthorized expenditures policy was discussed. Motion by Smydra, supported by Brew to adopt the expenditures policy as presented. Motion amended to limit Supervisor expenditures to \$500 and expenditures for Clerk and Treasurer to remain at \$1,000. Roll call vote: Ayes: Closs, Brew, Smydra. Nays: Falor, Munns. Motion carried.

The request to purchase meals for the Election workers and BOR workers was discussed. Smydra will work on a meal policy. Motion by Falor, supported by Brew to purchase meals for the poll workers for the upcoming Nov 3 General election. Roll call vote: Ayes: Closs, Smydra, Falor, Munns, Brew. Nays: None. Motion carried.

5. The pros and cons of the existing drop box versus installing a mail slot or mail container were discussed. Motion by Falor, supported by Brew to authorize the Clerk to proceed with the purchase of the indoor wall container and half pane of glass for the right-side window panel, and to contact the contractor for installation. Roll call vote: Ayes: Smydra, Closs, Falor, Munns, Brew. Nays: None. Motion carried.

New Business

1. Motion by Falor, supported by Brew to replace the Stimpson Road sign and straighten the MaryAnn Blvd sign. Roll call vote: Ayes: Closs, Falor, Brew, Smydra, Munns. Nays: None. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Falor, supported by Munns to accept the snowplow proposal from RTZ for the 2020/21 season. Roll call vote: Ayes: Falor, Munns, Brew, Smydra, Closs. Nays: None. Motion carried.
3. A resident is complaining about the noise from a local Air BNB. Mackinaw township does not have any policy regarding Air BNBs and would need an enforcement officer if a policy was enacted.

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Treasurers Report/ Bills/ Financial Report

1. The Treasurers report was accepted as presented. 95% of the taxes have been received.
2. Motion by Brew, supported by Munns to approve the bills for October.
Roll call vote: Ayes: Closs, Falor, Munns, Brew, Smydra. Nays: None. Motion carried.
3. The Standard budget financial report was reviewed.

Correspondence

- FEMA has posted digital copies of the revised Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) and Flood Insurance Study (FIS) reports on their website: <https://www.fema.gov/preliminaryfloodhazarddata>
- The Cheboygan County Economic Development corporation (EDC) is partnering with Connected Nation to improve Broadband coverage. Community members are encouraged to take an online survey at the website: www.myconnectedcommunity.org/cheboygan-county

Meeting was adjourned by call of the chair at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Munns, Clerk