

GILFORD TOWNSHIP

December 8, 2022

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M., followed by the pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: D. Strasz, Treasurer; D. Spencer, Clerk; J. Stockmeyer, Supervisor; A. Goss, Trustee; K. Houghtaling, Trustee. Order of agenda approved.

Public Comment: Has anybody asked to be reimbursed for Thumb Body service? Can white lines on roads be painted in 2023? Is there any improvements planned for Bradleyville Road?

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by J. Stockmeyer second by D. Strasz to approve minutes. Motion approved.

Minutes of Public Hearing for Quality Roasting: Correction of “soybeans instead of dry beans was noted. Motion by A. Goss, second by K. Houghtaling to approve the minutes with correction. Motion approved.

Treasurers Report: Motion by A. Goss, second by D. Spencer to approve Treasures Report. Motion approved.

REPORTS:

Supervisor: Received four garbage proposals. Representatives from Republic and Priority gave presentations. J. Stockmeyer motion, D. Spencer second to accept Priority’s proposals starting January 2023. Motion approved. Request from R. Wagner, D. Wagner, and B. Wagner to put 79.52 acres in P.A. 116 for 20 yrs. Stockmeyer motioned, D. Strasz second to accept the request. Motion carried. Zero fire runs for Reese. Received a letter from our attorney stating that Tuscola County will not manage our flood plan request. Need more information to know what our next step is. There will be an Assessment Role audit in 2024 and there will be future education on how the township will need to be more involved with their assessor.

Treasurer: Taxes were mailed and have been receiving payments. The office will be open Dec. 26 from 9:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m.

Clerk: Received a dividend check from Accident fund. Squanda Electric performed generator maintenance. Received Brickel Brothers contract for winter snow removal. County Clerk meeting report: Expecting a county election in 2023, 47 counties in Michigan are being recounted on either Proposal 2 and/or Proposal 3. Post-election audits will be scheduled in January due to statewide recounts. Proposal 2 takes affect December 23, 2022. Presented the bills. A. Goss motioned, D. Strasz second to pay the bills. Motion carried.

Trustees: Parks and Rec; Playscape to be installed in Spring 2023, working on grants for future improvements. Planning Commission meeting Monday December 12 @ 7:30 p.m.

Ambulance Representative: VAAS received 5 “Lucas” devices to aid in CPR purchased with ARPA money. Seven emergency runs for Gilford.

Fire Department Representative: Reese; medical backpacks are in service. Had a career day at elementary school on December 2. Having pancake supper Wednesday January 11, 2023. Fairgrove; Contracts will be the same price as last year for one year. Need new radios for firefighters and in trucks since current radios are not supported by Motorola. Nine calls from Gilford in 2022.

Zoning Administrator: Need to get our lawyer involved in Blight cases that have not responded to previous communications.

Public Comment: Are there still 2 turbines to be completed in Gilford? Working on Quanicassee Road.

Motion by A. Goss second by J. Stockmeyer, to adjourn at 9:40 p.m. Motion approved

Diane K. Spencer

Gilford Township Clerk