Tentative: X

Approved: X

**Pokagon Township Regular Meeting Board Minutes**

**October 12, 2016**

The meeting of the Pokagon Township Board was called to order on Wednesday October 12, 2016 at 7:30 pm. Roll call of members showed the following members present: Linda Preston, Kevin Young, Renee Meiser and Bob Shaffer. Absent: Gary Mihills, Trustee. Supervisor Linda Preston opened the meeting and led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion made by Bob and supported by Kevin to approve the September 14, 2016 regular meeting minutes and the October 11, 2016 special meeting minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried by voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Clark Cobb- County Commissioner discussed county retirement plan meeting (MERS)

Mike Keesler- resident on Wood Road – asked the Township to look into what could be done about speeding cars in the residential neighborhood and safety concerns.

Jonah Crump- raised concerns about a neighbor with additional vehicles that are an eyesore. He was directed to give further information to Joe True – Blight Enforcement Officer.

Brian Hake – Auditor with Kruggel Lawton- gave presentation on the Financial Audit for the Township’s Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Pokagon Township received a favorable rating on finances.

**REPORTS**

**Supervisor:**  Linda: attended MTA meeting in Traverse City, MTA on the Road (Kalamazoo) with Trustee Bob Shaffer, LRSB meeting this morning Oct. 12.

**Clerk:** Renee- Preparing for Nov. 8 Presidential Election. AV ballots going out over 2 weeks late due to printing issues and state ballot item issues. Clerk issued information to the Board to make a decision in the near future regarding back up options for the Township computer system, as we currently do not have a back-up system in place.

**Treasurer:**

Kevin reported Gen Fund balance at $147,854.64 as of September 30, 2016.

**Assessor:**  Bill Kays: working on special assessments (Ambulance and Weed Assessment)

**Building Inspector:**  August 5 permits September 1 permit

**Zoning Administrator& Blight:**

Zoning- 0 permits for September

Blight: Joe was not able to put in usual hours due to back injury.

**Ambulance:**

SMCAS- September – No report available. Gary Mihills absent.

Pride Care- 1 call @4.2 minutes avg. per report. Having semi-annual municipal meeting Thursday October 27 @7:00 pm at Bangor Town Hall.

**Fire Department:**

Indian Lake: 11 calls per Doug Shaffer

Pokagon VFD: 4 calls per Chuck Bower

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** None

**Planning Commission-** Planning Commission and the Board met October 11, 2016 at 6:00 pm to work on the Zoning Ordinance. The next scheduled meeting is November 14, 2016 to continue reviewing the Zoning Ordinance.

**Cemetery Board:**  Bob Shaffer reported that the Cemetery Board will meet Tuesday October 18 at 7:00 pm. Prepping for winter/ turning off water.

**Transfer station:** Open

**Bills:**

Motion made by Bob and supported by Kevin to pay bills as submitted in the amount of $26,296.92. Motion carried by roll call vote. All ayes.

**Unfinished Business:**

The Tax Tribunal case re: Hampshire Golf Course has been dismissed.

The Sink Road bridge work is moving forward.

**New Business:**

A public hearing needs to be set for the Indian Lake Weed District Assessment.

\*\*\* Linda moved and Bob supported, to set the Indian Lake Weed District Assessment for Wednesday November 9, 2016 at 8:00 pm. All ayes. Motion carried.

There are 2 requests from township residents to rent the hall for bridal showers in November

\*\*\* Bob moved and Kevin supported, to allow 2 hall rentals on November 12th & November 19th. All ayes. Motion carried.

Doug Shaffer was present and asked if he wanted to continue snow plowing for the 2016-2017 season and to submit his pricing to the clerk.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

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Renee Meiser, Clerk