Tentative: X

Approved:

**Pokagon Township Regular Meeting Board Minutes**

**May 10, 2017**

The meeting of the Pokagon Township Board was called to order on Wednesday May 10, 2017 at 7:30 pm. Roll call of members showed the following members present: Linda Preston, Gary Mihills, Kevin Young, Renee Meiser, and Bob Shaffer. Supervisor Linda Preston opened the meeting and led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion made by Bob and supported by Gary to approve the April 19, 2017 regular meeting minutes and the May 2nd, 2017 special meeting minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried by voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Clark Cobb reported that the county is using the SMART911 system. There is a form residents can fill out and submit with information to assist emergency responders.

May 23rd @ 4:00- meeting at Cass County Road Commission to discuss future of the courthouse.

**REPORTS**

**Supervisor:**  Linda: attended Courthouse meeting, LRSB meeting, update on I&M ordinance. Linda was invited to sit on the Advisory board for medical marijuana.

**Clerk:** Deputy Clerk Cindy Underwood started training in April. The township will need to reimburse for mileage to Lansing for ½ training in May- 2 day training in June- as well as overnight accommodations in June.

**Treasurer:**

Reported Gen Fund balance at $314,405.99 as of April 30, 2017.

**Assessor:**  Bill Kays- working on personal residence exemptions, BOR in July.

**Building Inspector:**  9 permits

**Zoning Administrator& Blight:** Joe True

Zoning- 4 permits for April

Blight: updates on blight issues

**Ambulance:**

SMCAS- 6 calls @ 12-15 min.

Pride Care- 18 calls avg. 4 min 13 seconds – Thursday June 15th Municipal Meeting

**Fire Department:**

Indian Lake: Doug Shaffer present / 5 calls

Pokagon VFD: Chuck Bower present / 3 calls

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** None

**Planning Commission-**

Approved cell tower conditional use application / board approval

**Cemetery Board:**  Bob Shaffer reported the Cemetery board met May 6th for tree trimming and board oaths.

**Transfer station:** Open. 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Roger Callahan filled in for Jacob.

**Bills:**

Motion made by Bob and supported by Kevin to pay bills as submitted in the amount of $46,551.81. Motion carried by roll call vote.

**Unfinished Business:**

Crystal Springs bridge work began May 1st- pictures of the progress supplied by Bob & Molly Shaffer.

Dust control – Pokagon is going to try 1 application this year for ½ the normal expense and see how it works out.

\*\* Gary moved and Kevin supported to try 1 application of the 42% Liquid Calcium Chloride on all gravel roads for 2017 on a trial basis vs the usual 2 applications. All ayes. Motion carried.

**New Business**

Tax reverted property at 30253 Wells Street (Wells & Hampshire) were offered to the Township. After discussion, the board unanimously agreed that the township has no need to own it.

\*\*\* Gary moved and Bob supported to deny the transfer of tax reverted property at 30253 Wells Street to Pokagon Township. All ayes. Motion carried.

Renee & Linda met with the area Republic representative

Old Rugged Cross spaghetti dinner June 9th @ Pokagon Methodist Church 5-7:00 pm.

Kevin (treasurer) needs to transfer funds to the Capital Improvement Fund as budgeted.

\*\*\* Kevin moved and Gary supported to move $30,000.00 to the Capital Improvement Fund as directed in the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget. All ayes. Motion carried.

Linda moved and Gary supported to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Renee Meiser / Clerk

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