Arlington Township Regular Meeting Minutes January 15, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor, Jacque Phillippe. Board members present were Pitts, Pugsley, DeLeo and Peterson.

Minutes—Motion by Pitts supported by Peterson to approve the December 17, 2020 meeting minutes as read. Motion Carried.

Police Report-- The Citizen Police Academy was cancelled. There were (22) calls last month.

Fire Report-- Bangor-

There were 51 calls with 10 in the township. This brings the year-to-date total to 547 calls. The new command vehicle should be ready by March. The basement bathroom remodel should be done in two weeks. Dereck then presented the Board with the 2019 Annual Fire Report.

An attorney with the Michigan Township Association addressed the meeting at the request of our township attorney about her experience in working with the state medical Marijuana programs.

Road Commission Report-- Greg Kinney was present and informed the Board that a new Road Commission Manager has been hired and will be starting in early February. Kinney was also informed about problems with a recent 52nd St. cross pipe repair and a plugged drain near the Peterson property on 52nd St.

Ambulance Report-- There were (4) #1 calls (7) #2 calls and (1) #3 calls

Commissioner Report-- No Report

Seniors Report-- Work is beginning on the new building. There may be a need for a Professional to conduct Marketing campaigns and fundraising.

Board of Review Report-- Hal informed the Board that the Board of Review will meet on March 9 from 2 until 5 p.m. and from 6 until 9 p.m. and on March 13 from 9 until 12 and 1 until 4 p.m. to here property tax appeals. Also, two members will be attending training in February.

Planning Commission Report-- Derek informed the Board that the Planning Commission recommends that the Board approve the Special Use Permit Renewals for the following companies with the addition that all hours of operation shall be from daylight until 10:00 p.m. and that any changes or modifications to the site plan or modifications to license or use must be submitted to the Planning Commission for review:

45343 M-43 (Ground Control Michigan, LLC/DBA Waypoint Processing)

34280 56th St (Kula Farms, LLC)

130 Hastings Ct. (Ground Control Michigan, LLC/DBA Core of the Earth Farms)

52981 28th Ave. (Grow Arlington, LLC)

Motion by Pugsley that the Board adopt the findings of fact of the Planning Commission and approve the Special Use Permit renewals for the four companies listed subject to the conditions as

recommended by the Planning Commission. Support by Pitts. Three members voted yes. Two members voted no. The Motion Carried.

The Planning Commission recommended to the Board that it approve the Site Plan and Special Use Permit for Pelican Farms, LLC/Harvest of Michigan, LLC located at 24598 CR 215 with the condition that the hours of operation be day light to 10:00 p.m. any changes to the site plan or modifications to license or use must be submitted to the Planning Commission for review.

Motion by Pitts to adopt the findings of fact of the Planning Commission and approve the Special Use Permit for Pelican Farms, LLC/Harvest of Michigan, LLC located at 24598 CR 215 subject to the conditions as recommended by the Planning Commission. Support by Pugsley. Three members voted yes and Two members voted no. The Motion Carried.

Attorney Report-- Brian informed the Board that several complaints had been received from residents living close to a medical marijuana facility being built on CR 681. This matter will be reviewed with the Planning Commission at it's February meeting. Brian also requested that he be allowed to address the Board in closed session under section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to review a memorandum of advice from the township attorney which by statute is material exempt from discussion or disclosure by section 13(1)(g) of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. Motion by Pugsley supported bt Peterson to meet at 6:00 p.m. on February 19, 2020 in closed session. All five Board members voted yes Motion Carried.

Ordinance Officer Report-- John reported that there is currently (1) court case pending for a blight issue.

Clerk Report-- Pugsley reported that a new laptop computer has been purchased for election use. He also advised the Board that this year we have to place a proposal on the ballot to renew the Road Millage for the next four years. Our attorney was asked to start preparing language for the proposal.

Supervisor Report-- Jacque asked the Board to Hire Annie Funk as an assistant to the Planning Commission to organize files, etc at a salary of \$15.00 per hour to be billed monthly effective January 15, 2020. Motion by Pitts supported by Peterson to hire Annie Funk as Administrative Assistant to the Planning Commission. All members voted yes. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Report-- Motion by Pugsley supported by Peterson to pay the bills. All members voted yes. Motion Carried. Phil told the Board that tax collections had slowed. He also asked the Board to set the date of February 8th at 10:00 a.m. to hold a budget workshop. Motion by Pugsley supported by DeLeo to hold the workshop. Motion Carried.

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$161,347.51
Monthly receipts	36,957.89
Monthly expenditures	11,334.96
Ending balance	\$186,970.44

New Business-- Bids were opened from the following companies for the Emergency Services Building project: Krohn Excavating for dirt work in the amount of \$18,300.00 and from All-N-1 Construction for the building construction in the amount of \$250,674.21. No action was taken by the Board. Jacque said that she would advertise again for additional bids.

Old Business-- Motion by Peterson supported by Pitts to strike item #4 in the Medical Marijuana License Moratorium Language that was passed in 2019. All members voted yes. Motion Carried.

John O'Connell suggested that we consider using John Lacko of Kalamazoo if we need any aerial photography done with a drone camera.

Susan Wilson suggested that we need more chairs in the meeting hall.

The meeting was adjourned. Minutes taken by William Pugsley, Clerk