

Arlington Township
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2020

The meeting was called to order via an internet video link. Members on the call were Phillippe, Pitts, Pugsley, DeLeo and Peterson.

Motion by DeLeo supported by Pitts to adopt the minutes of the March 18, 2020 meeting which had been previously sent to Board members and posted on the Township website. Motion Carried.

Police Report—no report

Fire Report-- Derek Babcock reported 39 calls for the month with 10 in the township. The Mims property is being cleaned up after the fire.

Commissioner Report-- No report

Seniors Report-- The program has been partially shut down due to virus lock-down. Clients are being called and checked on by phone. The newsletter has been temporarily cancelled. Food trucks are still running.

Board of Review Report-- The March BOR meetings went well although lightly attended. Hal submitted a report noting a breakout of data concerning average taxpayer property tax costs. He also noted that Marijuana related properties accounted for \$988,000.00 in taxable value increases.

Planning Commission Report—The commission met on April 9, 2020 and discussed a draft Marijuana Adult Use Ordinance which would be referred to as a Police Ordinance until adopted by the Township Board. It would allow growers to apply for licensing and plant product. The Commission made a recommendation to the Township Board that a renewal SUP for UP High LLC, 29300 50th St. be adopted. Motion by Pitts supported by Pugsley that the SUP for Up High LLC be renewed with the following conditions:

That generators will be used only during daylight hours during construction and for emergency use thereafter; Hours of operation daylight to 10:00 p.m.; An EGLE, Drain Commission and Commercial Driveway Report will be provided before obtaining a certificate of occupancy; install a complying driveway within 12 months or lose the SUP. Pitts, Pugsley, Phillippe voted yes; DeLeo and Peterson voted no. Motion Carried.

Motion by Pugsley supported by Peterson not to take any action on the recommended Adult Use Marijuana Police Ordinance until the Planning Commission makes some amendments to the ordinance and brings it back to the Township Board. All members voted yes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Officer Report-- John informed the Board that no violation tickets will be issued until the court system becomes active again.

Clerk Report-- Pugsley advised the Board that an order has been placed for an additional voting tabulator. Motion by DeLeo supported by Peterson to order the tabulator at a cost of \$5295.00. All members voted yes. Motion Carried.

Supervisor Report-- Jacque reported that so far COVID-19 cases have been low for Van Buren County.

Jacque informed the Board that Annie Funke will act as the Planning Commission administrative assistant and also as township receptionist. Jacque has appointed Derek Babcock to also be the Medical Marijuana Administrator as she no longer has the time to do the job.

Road Commission Report—Greg Kinney told the Board that there would be an internet video meeting open to residents on May 6th 2020 at 5 p.m.

Treasure Report-- Pitts made a motion supported by DeLeo to move the May dump day event to the second Saturday in June. Motion Carried.

Motion by DeLeo supported by Peterson to pay bills totaling \$9,819.78 and to also include any bill we receive for Workers Comp insurance when it arrives. All members voted yes. Motion Carried.

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$220,793.15
MONTHLY RECEIPTS	74,499.62
MONTHLY EXPENDITURES	91,269.78
ENDING BALANCE	\$204,022.99

Old Business-- Bids have been received from (2) contractors for the Emergency Services building project. Robert Sefcik submitted a quote in the amount of \$127,833.00 for the 40'x60'x16' high building. Woodside Construction submitted a quote in the amount of \$148,050.00. Neither bid included site work, electrical, heating, or plumbing costs. Motion by Pitts supported by DeLeo to table any action on the matter until a later date. Motion Carried.

New Business-- Motion by Pugsley supported by Peterson to have Doug DeLeo become a Notary Public with the cost being paid by the Township. All members voted yes. Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Minutes taken by William Pugsley, Clerk