

Minutes of Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting August 27, 2018

Call to Order @ 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Saad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Hallman, present, Saad, present, Conner, present, Graves, present, and Schmidt, present. Absent: none.

Motion by Hallman, seconded by Conner to adopt the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on July 30, 2018, and the Minutes of the August 16, 2018 Special Assessment Hearing as printed.

Special Assessment Hearing for Pineview Lake Estates 1, 2, 3 and Pineview on the River.

Saad opened the Hearing @ 7:02 p.m.

Saad explained the reason for the hearing. The cost based on the estimate is \$517 per parcel for 10 years. A PASER rating shows it is time to resurface. The PASER rating will continue to decline and the cost will continue to increase.

Public comment: Charlotte Riechart, faxed a letter of opposition. She represents 16 units.

Bob Dettloff- owns 16 units. Concerned about distribution of expense. Spoke against.

Charlotte Riechart asked that other alternatives be looked at.

Leola Fraser- spoke against.

Don Wrubel - spoke in favor.

Attorney Lattie said the Board can create the assessment district and later amend it.

Hallman posed a question as to if anyone had explored the idea of changing the road to be a private road.

Saad read Resolution 2018-13.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Graves to adopt Resolution 2018-13. Roll call: Saad abstained from the vote. Hallman, yes, Conner, yes, Graves, yes and Schmidt, yes. Motion passed 4-0.

Saad adjourned the Special Assessment Hearing @ 7:19 p.m.

Regular Meeting resumed @ 7:20 p.m.

Correspondence is available to view.

Motion, Schmidt, second, Hallman to approve payment of bills as printed in the Board package. Motion passed.

Public comment: Glen Stefan- Asked about the process to get a cell tower in his area.

Beth Carr- Representing Argentine Historical Commission. The Commission meets twice a year. Ms. Carr wants to be sure these records are not removed from the building. She is thinking about a museum type display during the car show next year.

Reports:

Police- Police Department: A written report was submitted. Chief Allen said Officer Honkanen assisted in the delivery of a baby in a front yard on July 17th. Both mother and baby were

transported to the hospital and are doing fine. The mother stopped by the Police Department to thank Officer Honkanen. Chief Allen presented Officer Paul Honkanen with the departmental Commendation Award.

Fire Department: A written report was submitted. Chief Lafferty thanked Lt. Kurtz and his son Kyle Kurtz for clearing some brush for safety so visibility would be improved for those attending the car show.

Chief Lafferty also thanked Andy Caputo, Kyle Kurtz and Lt. Jeremy Kurtz for joining him at the National Night Out event. There was an excellent turnout.

Starting August 28th, the Genesee County Microwave Remediation project will start, and will run through September 5th. Because of this radio communications will be affected in some form or another. During this project there could be short periods of time coverage for the county could be affected. There will also be times the 911 center will be using their backup system. These times will be coordinated with them to reduce the impact. This has also been coordinated with Westshore to ensure that the Tornado Siren system will still be able to be activated. So our sirens remain operational, I have given the 911 Center approval to include us in the project. They absorbed the cost of the equipment needed on their end but have divided up the remaining by the number of sirens in the county. Seeing how we have 2 sirens, we will be getting 2 separate invoices at a cost of \$483.89 each.

After the third re-programing and testing phase, the county will be restarting the installation and disbursements of the new radios. They're starting on the east side of the county and will be working our way.

As far as our pagers go, we've had some additional issues with the pager batteries bulging out. I picked up 30 brand new batteries from the 911 center and in process of replacing every battery in every pager.

As a backup to the pagers we are one of the 12 fire departments in Genesee County that are now using I Am Responding. Because of this amount, they are now offering us a deal. If we all sign up together under one (5) year contract, the price will go down to \$605.00 a year. The amount we have already paid will be taken into account. As of the end of last week, there was only one department out of the 12 that hasn't responded whether or not they're on board. They also said the price will go down if we get more of the departments on board. I believe we have been way more than patient with Mr. Richter. The last time I heard from him was August 8th when he said he'd get back with me later that day. After multiple attempts by both myself and Mr. Holden, I have yet to hear back from him. The fact he can't even follow through with the promise of a phone call, makes me fear the worst on the status of our wheels. Mr. Holden has exhausted himself attempting to get Rickson Wheels to follow through with their product. After I myself have also had the same dealings with the empty promises from Mr. Richter, I can't hold Mr. Holden responsible for this. I believe it would be in all our best interests to revisit the idea of getting spacers for the rear wheels. I've put a call into Central Apparatus so they can send me verification this would be a safe option until there can be such time the proper wheels are available.

Saad asked attorney Lattie about sending a letter to the parties informing them that we are out of time. The Board may have to seek a legal remedy. Lattie will send a letter.

Building Department: Saad said there were 15 building and zoning permits issued that total \$11,804.90

Planning Commission: Trustee Conner- The Planning Commission met and recommended that the Board adopt Ordinance 76. They recommended adding e- bikes be added as a type transportation allowed on the pathway.

Attorney: Attorney David Lattie gave an oral report.

7377 Haviland Beach Dr. - Williston case. We made a reasonable offer. A court hearing is scheduled for Thursday. The judge struck the appraisal and their appraiser's testimony.

16267 Seymour Rd. -A new sewer lead has been installed and Lattie will have to take the original court settlement back to court because the new lead is in a different location.

16199 Seymour Rd. - The ZBA determined the lot is buildable for dock purpose. Court proceedings continue.

16215 Knobhill- Hunt property. Our building inspector and code enforcement officer did an excellent job. This was a blight complaint. The court ruled in the Township's favor on all 4 violations. The judge asked for a schedule to have the property cleared. If this is not done in a reasonable time, the judge ruled that Township may hire a contractor to complete and place the cost on the property taxes. This case will lead to other properties being cleaned up. We must be consistent with enforcement.

11181 Duffield Rd. - Adamatitis complaint regarding living in a barn. We will ask for a default judgement tomorrow.

Old Business: Ordinance 76 Pathway Ordinance:

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Hallman to adopt Ordinance 76. Roll Call: Graves, Yes, Schmidt, yes, Conner, yes, Saad, yes and Hallman, yes. Motion passed.

New Business: Resolution 2018-14, Policy for the Acceptance of Payments by Financial Transaction Device:

Schmidt said our auditor has asked us to adopt a resolution.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Saad to adopt Resolution 2018-14. Roll Call: Schmidt, yes, Conner, yes, Hallman, Yes, Saad, yes and Graves, yes. Motion passed.

Open Bids for cleaning of the Fire Hall:

We only received 1 bid.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Hallman to accept the bid from All That and More in the amount of \$400.00 per month. Motion passed.

Woodward Dr. Paving Project:

Moved by Saad, seconded by Schmidt to approve the loan in the amount of \$32,000 from the General Fund to finance the Woodward Paving Project @ 3% interest for 10 years. Motion passed.

Resolution 2018-15 Authorizing a Designee to Enforce Zoning Ordinance provisions.

Moved by Conner, seconded by Hallman to appoint Tom Brooks as the designee to enforce provisions of our zoning ordinance under section 19.01 of the zoning ordinance.
Roll Call: Saad, yes, Hallman, yes, Conner, yes, Schmidt, yes and Graves, yes. Motion passed.

Clearing Hill Next to Dam:

Saad said last month the Clerk was authorized to seek quotes and select a provider of this service. Royalty Services was selected to do this work at a cost of \$1,555.00. It is scheduled to be cleared next week.

Public Comment:

Business from Board Members:

Hallman- The fireworks on the lake are set for Saturday, September 1st.

Schmidt- We acquired a land-locked parcel # 01-13-200-007 that I recommend we sell for \$2,000. to Mr. Early, the owner of a parcel next adjoining it. The owner of the other adjacent parcel has declined to purchase the parcel.

Moved by Schmidt, seconded by Saad to sell parcel #01-13-200-007 in the amount of \$2,000.
Motion passed.

Conner- None

Graves- None.

Saad- Thanked both chiefs for an outstanding job. The car show was a success.

Adjournment@ 8:08 p.m.

Denise Graves, Clerk

Brian Saad, Supervisor