

Argentine Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 25, 2019

Call to Order @ 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Saad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Conner, present, Schmidt, present, Saad, present, and Graves, present.

A moment of silence was held in memory of Lt. Bruce Coverdill who served the Police Department from 1983-2006 and also for Christina Pasquerelli, daughter of Chief Lafferty. Motion, Schmidt, seconded by Conner to approve the minutes of Regular Board Meeting of October 28, 2019. Motion passed.

Correspondence is available to view.

Motion, Schmidt, seconded by Saad to accept a budget amendment to increase # 101-101-956.000 in the amount of \$127.00 and decrease #101-101-959.000 by \$127.00. Motion passed.

Presentation of Bills:

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

Public comment: Mike Hiller- from Michigan Micro Ecology Consortium (MMEC) introduced himself and spoke about his company's offer to purchase 2 parcels. These are # 250121551001 and #250121551002 for \$250. each. These are lots that are not buildable and are of little interest to anyone else. The company will pay taxes on these lots. Adjoining lots have already been purchased by the MMEC from the Genesee county Land Bank. The goal is to promote conservation.

Moved by Graves, seconded by Conner to authorize Treasurer Schmidt to have a conversation with Mr. Hiller from MMEC to consider the sale of these parcels and make the decision to sell. Motion passed.

Reports:

Fire Department- No report. Chief Lafferty was not in attendance.

Police Department- A written report was submitted. Chief Allen said Officer Matthews and K-9 Trinity will be graduating from the Oakland "Crest" Academy on November 26, 2019. Trinity will be certified for drug detection and tracking.

Michigan Insurance and Financial Services of Brighton will be donating at no cost a stab resistant and bullet proof vest for Trinity the K-9. This is part of their "Give Back" program. The front entrance door at the Police Department has been wrapped verses being painted. The wrapping of the doors is said to last and protect the door for 10 years.

I would like authorization for the conversion of the car for the K-9.

Moved by Saad, seconded by Conner to approve spending up to \$6,200 for Pro Comm to outfit the car for the K-9. Motion passed.

Saad said that we must post hours as passed by the Board in the 2/26/18 meeting minutes on the door of the Police Department.

Building Department. - Supervisor Saad reported that there were 20 building and zoning permits that total \$11,811.97.

The Planning Commission- Conner said there was no meeting; the next meeting will be on December 12th. The PC will continue discussing Cale Gillett's storage facility at the meeting. Saad added that Master Planning needs to be discussed.

Attorney Report: David Lattie- We passed a moratorium in August that the Board may want to add an amendment to extend.

Moved by Schmidt and seconded by Saad to adopt an amendment to ordinance 78 to extend the moratorium for 90 days. Roll Call: Conner, yes, Graves, yes, Saad, yes and Schmidt, yes. Motion passed 4-0.

We have a court date of December 10 on the Baumchen case.

Old Business: None

New Business: Appointment to the Genesee County Metropolitan Alliance

Moved by Graves, seconded by Conner to appoint Supervisor Saad as an elected Official and Leslie Renckly as Citizen Representative, alternate. Motion passed.

Thor Environmental- Proposal for Wetland Delineation for Pathway-

We received a letter from the Fleis & Vanderbrink that said the State wants a wetlands survey.

Moved by Saad, seconded by Graves to accept the terms from Thor Environmental to do wetland delineation and complete the report that summarizes the findings for a fixed rate of \$1,000.

Motion passed.

Public Comment: Jim Wells- asked if the land was zoned for the self-storage units next to Dollar General.

Marty Vyskocil- asked clarification on a court date Mr. Lattie referred to earlier in the meeting.

Business from Board Members:

Graves- Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Schmidt- The State has accepted our deficit elimination plan for Haviland Beach and Whitehead Drive road project assessments.

Saad- There is no update on the door to the dam. The GCRC will not know anything more until Late January or February. The GCRC is responsible for maintenance.

The cost of Pineview Paving came in at \$530,296., which is much lower than the estimate of \$718K.

Conner- None.

Hallman-

Adjournment at 7:40 p.m.

Denise Graves, Clerk

Brian Saad, Supervisor