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**FIFE LAKE TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
Approved Minutes
JANUARY 24, 2019**

ROLL CALL: Supervisor Linda Forwerck,-X, Treasurer Cathy Sorrow-X, Clerk Terry Street-X, Trustee Elizabeth Pearson-Absent, Trustee Dawn Zimmerman-X.

Quorum Established.

Sorrow made **Motion** to approve the Agenda with the additions under new business d. Fire & EMS dinner and e. update signatures on account. Zimmerman Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Street read the Consent Calendar. Forwerck requested the removal of December 20, 2018 Minutes. Street made Motion to approve the Consent Calendar with the removal of December 20, 2018 Minutes place under new business f., Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Zimmerman-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Pearson-Absent. 4-Yes, 1- Absent, **Motion Carried.**

Correspondence

CITIZEN COMMENT

Jeff Birthiaume of 8935 Wil-Pet, Fife Lake. A follow up meeting for the Pickeral Lake Committee will be January 31, 2019, Thursday at the Fife Lake Township Hall.

REPORTS

County Commissioner- Rob Henschel, introduced himself and offered resources through Grand Traverse County. Inviting everyone to follow Grandtraverse.org.

Fife Lake Village- Village President, Dave McGough reported on the upcoming 2019 events that will be posted on the Village website. Fishing Derby and Carlys Hill- January 27, 2019, May 11. 2019 Coast Guard Expedition from 8:00 am until 12-noon, and Safety Day August 17, 2019 from noon until 4:00 pm. Clean-up day will be May 11.

Sheriff Department- Deputy Eric Meyers – Absent. Street added the Police Committee has been productively working on some good projects. In particular is the Community Safety Day on August 17. Many branches of community service organizations will be on hand to display what they do for our community.

Ambulance/Fire/Emergency Planning- Rob Melancon reported on February being a busy month with Carly's Hill Event and the Fishing Derby on the same weekend. We have EMS in place with back up from Munson should anything go bad. Forwerck suggested they look at next year's schedule so both don't happen on the same weekend.

Chief Tinker reported statistics and with the -10 temps making some water points non-usable. The fire engine broke down while on a call to our own Ken Martins house fire.

Chief Tinker requested the Fife Lake Township contribute twenty thousand dollars towards a backup fire truck, fifteen thousand dollars for the truck and five thousand dollars for accessories.

Forwerck reported the Township doesn't have twenty thousand dollars in the General Fund. Sorrow informed the Board there is an emergency residual millage fund balance of \$107,000.00 set up through the millage monies for Fire & EMS

Chief Tinker plans on approaching Springfield and Union Townships.

Forwerck would like to see what Springfield and Union Township contribute as well.

Discussion lead to making a decision under the New Business d.

FLAUA- Gifford reported both personnel and operations committees need to meet. Still waiting for F&V to respond to some issues. Ray Ravary is staying on top of what's needed.

The Election of Officers; Tom Gray-President, Marilyn Hayes- Vice President, Jodi Valez- Treasurer and Leigh Gifford Secretary- Gifford will stay through term.

Dave McGough added FLAUA will need to use the Fife Lake Township Hall for FLAUA future meetings. Town Hall requested for the Third Wednesday of each Month.

Zoning-Debbie Rodriquez reported on the statistics of Township zoning.

Planning Commission -Dawn Zimmerman reported the Joint Planning Commission will be meeting January 29, 2019, Tuesday, 6:30 pm, here at the Fife Lake Township hall.

Civic Center South- Street reported they will be looking into the purchase of a tractor or RTV for grounds usage. Further research is being done to make an educated decision.

Cemetery Committee -Sorrow reported nothing until spring.

NEW BUSINESS

Attorney Millar suggested the Fife Lake Township decide to opt in or out of Recreational Marijuana facilities. The law is rapidly changing and they can Opt- in later as things stabilize.

Street made **Motion** that Fife Lake Township opt out of allowing Recreational Marijuana Facilities in the Township of Fife Lake. Forwerck Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Forwerck -Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Pearson- Absent. 4-Yes, 1-Absent. **Motion Carried.**

Attorney Millar will put together an ordinance with the required language for Fife Lake Township to opt out of Recreational Marijuana Facilities at this time.

Attorney Millar, Planner Elise Craft and Zoning Administrator Deb Rodriguez are working on Medical Marijuana zoning amendments. New effective date will be March 1, 2019. Joint Planning Commission will hold the Public Hearing.

When using the Fife Lake Hall, please pick up after yourself. Shut off all lights and check doors are securely locked. There is a reservation calendar in hall way for communication purposes.

Discussion continued for Fire/Ems reserve emergency funds...

Street made **Motion** the Fife Lake Township Board support the FLAESA, the proper authority, to receive monies as available to purchase a reserve vehicle at \$15,000.00 with an additional \$5,000.00 for necessary accessories, including auditor and legal fees. Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Pearson-Absent. 4-Yes, 1-Absent, **Motion**

Carried.

There will be a Benefit dinner at the American Legion February 16, 2019. Fund Raiser from 12:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Donations are being accepted for Ken Martin, Fire Fighter, and his family after losing their home to a house fire. Chief Tinker will produce flyers for the event.

The signature card on file at the Forest Area Federal Credit Union needs to be updated. Sorrow made **Motion** to update the signature card on file, Street Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Corrections to December 20, 2018 Minutes include: National School of choice was not a roll call vote. The dollar amount was \$2,000 not \$1,000 for County Road Commission evaluation to be done on two roads.

Pearson's motion, seconded by Zimmerman was to appoint not to approve committee positions. The planning Commission was dissolved and then the Joint Planning Commission was Adopted.

Forwerck made **Motion** to accept the December 20, 2018 Minutes as corrected, Sorrow Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

OLD BUSINESS

Zoning Administrator, Deb Rodriguez recommends Fife Lake Township update the fee schedule for zoning permits. More discussion will take place at the February Board Meeting.

The Board requested a list of updates and it was suggested they start at the beginning of fiscal year July 2019.

Street reported the street lights are not yet changed on 186 and 131, will be done in the spring.

OTHER BUSINESS

Street reported Jill Gary, Deputy Clerk, was able to organize and update the Resolution Binder. Street would like the budget to reflect the Deputy getting 5 hours per week. Forwerck stated monies left in Deputy Clerk account would not cover that many hours. Forwerck suggest possibly funds used during elections may have been taken from Deputy account. We should research to see exactly what money we have to work with. Zimmerman would like to check the budget for proper finances as well.

Sorrow made **Motion** to put Deputy Clerk hours back to 5 hours per week, Street Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Forwerck-No, Zimmerman-No, Street-Yes, Sorrow-Yes. 2-Yes, 2-No, 1-Absent, **Tie Vote.**

CITIZEN COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

Sorrow made **Motion** to Adjourn, Zimmerman Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**
Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 pm.

January 24, 2019 Draft Minutes Prepared by: Leigh Gifford, Recording Secretary.

December 20, 2018 Minutes Approved with Corrections.

January 24, 2019 Approved Minutes by Terry Street, Clerk

