

P.O. BOX 87
134 MORGAN ST
FIFE LAKE, MI 49633
(231)879-3963

**FIFE LAKE TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES
APRIL 26, 2018**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Supervisor Linda Forwerck_X_, Clerk Terry Street_X_, Treasurer Cathy Sorrow_X_, Trustee Elizabeth Pearson-X Trustee Dawn Zimmerman-X.
Quorum Established.

Sorrow made **Motion** to accept Agenda with additions of New Business f. Accounting Services and Old Business f. Medical Marijuana and g.Safety signage, Pearson Second, All in Favor, **Motion Carried.**

Street read purpose of Consent Calendar. Sorrow made **Motion** to approve the consent calendar removing the bills, placing the bills under New business g. Zimmerman Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds: Pearson-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No. **Motion Carried.**

CORRESPONDENCE

Seventh Adventist Church
MI Township Dark Store Drop Ship Bulk Items.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Mark McKellar running for County Commissioner

GUESTS

REPORTS

County Commissioner Bob Johnson – Absent.
Report available via www.county.gov

Village President, Dave McGough reported the street projects will be underway in the next two to three weeks. The Veterans Wall will be in Kalkaska, we are hoping they will be able to swing through Fife Lake on the way by.

Sheriff Deputy Eric Meiers reported the need for a possible dirt bike that would properly fit him. Street and Deputy Meyer will seek a more fitting mountain bike.

Forwerck would like to see the Police website updated.

Rob Melancon, Assistant Fire Chief, reported on EMS -State licensed was renewed, inspection passed. Fife Lake has jurisdiction over Union Township. Paradise and Garfield can also be called. Scott Tinker, Fire Chief, reported that working with Metro has been a positive experience so far. Fire is selling some stuff we don't need through EBay. Also working on a grant for a Tanker/Pump Combo.

Air Quality is done through South Boardman.
Ken Martin is building lockers to donate for the Fire Volunteers.

Thursdays are Training night, so if something looks suspicious it's more than likely the Fire/EMS Department are in training.

FLAUA

Gifford reported Ray Ravary, Compliance Officer has had some challenging down time. Paul Birgy is keeping things on track. Fleiss has been working with Ray on updates.

Zoning Administrator –Welcome to Debbie Rodriguez. She is our new zoning administrator. See written report.

Planning Commission- Joe Jones reported next meeting will be May 10, 2018. There will be a full agenda with the Zoning Ordinance updates along with Andrew from Williams & Works.

Civic Center South- Street reported on new grounds keeper, Mr. Bob Torres. There will also be other summertime volunteers. A new bench will be donated in honor of Pamela Nickerson. Disc golf is getting very popular, Hopefully the Civic Center will get some increased traffic.

Cemetery Committee- Sorrow reported on a successful meeting April 11th.

Veterans are volunteering to help clean and mark the Veteran stones. They will be using an environmentally friendly cleaner called D-2. If anyone wants to donate a gallon, it would greatly be appreciated.

Oakwood Cemetery will be honoring the Civil War Veterans May 19, 2018.

Ground Imaging can be done with a rental machine for approximately three thousand dollars. This may be a cheaper route for Fife Lake.

Selling five lots for the Devolder Memorial.

The Cemetery conference offers an MTA Cemetery Book. Sorrow would like to utilize. Forwerck made the **Motion** allowing the purchase of the book, Street Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Zimmerman-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Pearson-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried**.

NEW BUSINESS

Received Rural Fire Funds and need to transfer to the Authority, 17.4% of \$110,588.16. Sorrow made **Motion** to make the Transfer, Pearson Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Sorrow made **Motion** to move the monies from Building Code to the General Fund. Pearson Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Forwerck received information from FEMA regarding the flood status; Fife Lake is not in flood area so we may not need this additional language. Zimmerman and Forwerck will research this.

Election is coming in August for Millage renewal. There will also be language for the Headlee Amendment.

Street informed the Board of an Uncle Sam outfit available for purchase. Pearson made **Motion** to purchase this after running it by our Auditor first, Street Seconded, Roll Call Finds; Forwerck-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Pearson-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Bills removed from the Consent Calendars as there was a question on the Allegra purchase for business cards, name plate for new Zoning Administrator Debbie Rodriguez. Also purchased Fife Lake Township envelopes.

Sorrow made **Motion** to approve the bills paid including the Allegra bill, Street Seconded, Roll Call Finds; Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Pearson-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Forwerck-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Accounting Service will no longer be available through Forest Area Service LLC after September 2018. After discussing options for hiring out or keeping in house it was suggested the Township check with the Auditors Baird and Cotter to see if this is a service they offer.

OLD BUSINESS

GTCRC brine agreement needs updating. The cost is \$5,680 brining once before July in the old budget and again in the fall of 2018 in the new budget. Forwerck made the **Motion** to approve of the brining at \$5,680 per brining, Sorrow Seconded. Roll Call Finds; Street-Yes, Pearson-Yes, Zimmerman-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Sorrow-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Pickeral Lake residents are asking for financial help with the assessment. There are 21 property owners, 14 that are willing to commit to the \$4,500 costs to have the lake researched to see what is best for the lake. Sorrow made **Motion** to commit \$2,250 to the Pickerel Lake project from the 2018-2019 Budget, Street Seconded, Roll Call Finds Pearson-Yes; Note she would have voted no but after discussion of the group fact finding attempts. Pearson stated she liked the idea that people are working together to make it a better place. Zimmerman-No; she likes the idea but not at the cost of taxpayers. Forwerck-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes. 4-Yes, 1-No, **Motion Carried.**

Boat Access project shall start in the next two weeks. We are looking forward to the completion.

After approved research and discussion Street made **Motion** to approve \$9,500 cost plus \$750.00 per sign annual fee for the Speed Limit Safety Signs, Pearson Seconded. Roll Call Vote Finds; Zimmerman-Yes, Forwerck-Yes, Sorrow-Yes, Street-Yes, Pearson-Yes. 5-Yes, 0-No, **Motion Carried.**

Economic Development –Joint Planning Commission with the Village. Discussion no action.

Round About-Village President, Dave McGough reported 131 Corridor Meeting, May 17, 2018 10:00 a.m. at the Township Hall 134 Morgan Street, Fife Lake, MI 49633.

OTHER BUSINESS –N/A

CITIZEN COMMENT

Mark, ~~McKellar~~ reminded us that the Adams Fly Festival will be from 12-8 on June 2.

Next meeting will be May 24, 2018 6:00 pm at the Fife Lake Township Hall 134 Morgan Street, Fife Lake, MI 49633

ADJOURNMENT

Sorrow made **Motion** to Adjourn, Forwerck Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.
Meeting Adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Draft Minutes prepared by Leigh Gifford
Approved By: Fife Lake Township Board 05/24/2018.