

TENTATIVE (pending approval October 4, 2018)

Riley Township

September 6, 2018

7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Potts at 7:00 PM. Board members present Feldpausch, Powell, Lawless, and Martens. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Feldpausch, support by Lawless to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Lawless, support by Martens to approve July meeting minutes. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer's report presented showing balances of:

Special Project Fund \$100084.69

General Fund Checking \$79061.70

Road and Bridge Fund \$59204.33

TOTAL \$238350.72

Motion by Powell, support by Lawless, to approve treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

NONE

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

Dave Pohl, County Commissioner –

The clerk's office provided the commissioners with a full report on the new election process. The county was pleased with the way the election ran in August. The county passed a resolution to thank Senator Jones for his service. He has been a great partner of the county and his work is appreciated. There are capital improvement projects underway at the fairgrounds, Motz Park, Greenhaven, and the Courthouse. The Opioid litigation is intensifying and more research is being done into the costs of the opioid crisis. It appears that Mid-Michigan District Health Department is going to propose an ordinance regarding septic and water systems.

Clinton County Sheriff Department, Kyle Reneker-

String of home break ins in Clinton, Gratiot and Ionia counties. There have been local issues in Watertown, Westphalia, and Olive townships where they are taking strictly jewelry from homes during the day when no one is home.

Pete Preston, Township Assessor –

Assessor Preston was unable to attend

Roy Thelen, DAESA –

44 runs total in August, Riley had 5. There have been bills introduced to ban chemicals that are used to suppress fires. The truck committee recommended the purchase of an F250 heavy duty pick up to replace a grass rig in the future. All the radios will need to be upgraded by 2021.

Randy Whitney, Planning Commission –

Nothing to report at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

Drain work continues in the township.

NEW BUSINESS:

Variance request from the Horman Farm Trust regarding lot size, depth to width, and road frontage to allow a 6.53-acre split to be created from the parent parcel. The applicant would like to create this parcel for recreational purposes. The board expresses concern regarding the lack of road frontage, the flag shaped isolated lot, and precedent that will be set by approving this request. Motion by Feldpausch, support by Lawless to provide a letter to the county stating that the township does not support this request due to the concerns stated above.

FOIA Policy:

Motion by Feldpausch, support by Martens. Pam will publish to the website so the information is publicly available.

The board has been invited to the Briggs Library 20th anniversary celebration.

The township is seeking a representative from Riley Township to serve on the Briggs Library board. If there is anyone interested, please forward their contact information to Don Potts.

There is an informational item from the waste water treatment plant of Delta Township. The plant is applying sludge to property in Riley Township owned by Carl Huhn. It will be injected and the ground will be tested pre-application and post application. There is a concern over the number of open county drains in the vicinity of the application.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Bill warrant presented. Motion by Powell, support by Martens to approve bills dated September 6, 2018. Motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Feldpausch, support by Martens to adjourn, meeting closed 7:51 PM.

Respectfully,

Lisa Powell, Clerk