

TENTATIVE (pending approval March 7, 2018)

Riley Township

February 7, 2019

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 to approve, support by Lawless to approve the agenda as amended to add the Consumers Energy Franchise Agreement. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer's report presented showing balances of:

Special Project Fund \$100168.63

General Fund Checking \$128772.32

Road and Bridge Fund \$51115.00

TOTAL \$280055.95

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

NONE

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

Dave Pohl, County Commissioner –

There were some needed updates at the county building due to its age. The county is doing a good job of communicating with residents about weather related issues and its impacts.

Pete Preston, Township Assessor –

Pete was unable to attend the meeting.

Roy Thelen, DAESA –

Total runs for January was 32, 4 of which were Riley. The board is working on a budget. Expenses will increase to cover the cost of staffing for the station during normal business hours. It is expected to increase about 2.5% overall. There will be an Emergency Planning Coordinator position added to the staff in the upcoming fiscal year. There will be a volunteer position for a local resident who would like to participate on a limited basis with the station duties. The department is working on an additional water source in the township.

Deputy Renekar, Clinton County Sheriff Department-

Riley Township has been overall quiet. Be mindful of releasing personal information, as fraud increases during income tax season.

Randy Whitney, Planning Commission –

The Parks property on Lehman Road has been modified to make it a buildable lot for the owner.

OLD BUSINESS:

The budget meeting will be held on Thursday, March 14th at 7:00 PM.

Salaries were discussed. A motion by Powell was made to increase the rate for managing hall rentals to \$35 per rental, support by Feldpausch. Motion carried.

The cleaning schedule was increased to weekly for May, June, Nov and Dec to keep the hall in the best condition possible for our busiest rental months. Motion by Lawless, support by Feldpausch. Motion carried.

The township will advertise for closed bids for 2019 lawncare service. Bids will be due to the clerk no later than 6:00 PM on Thursday, March 7. Notice will be run in the Clinton County News for 2 weeks. The contract will be modified to include the increased area of the Lowell Road cemetery and edging. Brian Lawless will continue to monitor and spray to control weeds.

The annual road commission meeting will be held on March 19th at 2:00 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution to approve the 2019 Board of Review starting date. Motion by Powell, support by Lawless to adopt. Motion carried with all yes votes.

Resolution to adopt the poverty exemption for the 2019-2020 tax collection season. Motion by Feldpausch, support by Martens. Motion carried with all yes votes.

Ordinance 19-02: Consumers Energy Company Electric Franchise Ordinance. Motion by Martens, support by Lawless to adopt. Roll call vote all yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Bill warrant presented. Motion by Feldpausch, support by Martens to approve bills dated February 7, 2019. Motion carried.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Martens, support by Feldpausch to adjourn, meeting closed 7:38 PM.

Respectfully,

Lisa Powell, Clerk