

**COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 19TH, 2018 7:00PM**

A meeting of the Columbia Township Board was called to order by L. Norton. Present were: S. Corke, K. Gruss, J. Huizenga, L. Norton and B. Sherrer. Absent: None. Roll call was taken. 13 Citizens were present.

TREASURERS REPORT:

General	\$216,496.15	Road Fund	\$728,620.58
Fire Fund	\$436,482.48	Ambulance Fund	\$1,774.29
Trust and Agency	\$2,835.60	Tax Fund	\$126,657.66
North Lake	\$462.41	House Fund	\$48,048.99
Police Fund	\$249,858.99	Saddle Lake Fund	\$31,262.03
General 2	\$19,695.09	Road 2	\$91,361.61

CONSENT AGENDA: Regular meeting minutes: 5-15-18. Special meeting minutes: 5-14,5-15-2018. None. Invoices thru 6-19-18 and treasurer's report. Motion by Corke and seconded by Huizenga to the approve consent agenda. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: Attended special meetings. Visited Antwerp Township for review BS&A. Looking into accepting charge cards for property tax payments.

CLERKS REPORT: Completed filing, payroll, regular minutes, synopsis, invoices, reports and various other duties.

GUEST SPEAKER: Humane Society Representative, Larry Hummel Road Commission, BS&A Representative.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Fire Department Pancake Breakfast June 30th, 2018.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA: Moving this portion on the agenda for the board meetings.

SUPERVISOR: Please avoid 47 ½ st. until the repair. Working on some complaints with the road commission and zoning administrator. Attended special meetings and supervisor meeting.

ZONING: No report.

ASSESSOR: Will be working on the state required re-evaluation of the township so you may see Jerry or Danielle working on this.

FIRE CHIEF: Call fire department if you will be burning large debris piles leave message of address of burn 269-434-6266. Clear area around where you are going to burn. Month of May there was 8 calls. Average response time was 9.15 minutes for the month within township. Remember to check the batteries on smoke detectors. Please have your address for your home in a clear and visible location in case the ambulance/fire department needs to find your home. Asked board to consider a new storage building for the fire department.

POLICE: 3 health & safety; 1 traffic crash; 7 general assists; 2 medical assists; 1 obstructing justice; 1 alarm ; 2 trespass; 10 criminal complaints.

COUNTY COMM: Jail work is completed. Approved \$4,767,670.00 as ordered by the court to the New Covert Generating for tax years 2010 2011. Approved \$10,990.00 to upgrade EMS communications on

an existing tower. Approved \$26,000.00 to the sheriff office for application for a grant for assistance in enforcement of medical marijuana laws.

SENIOR SERVICES: Senior City in South Haven also offers a meal once a month. Lunch is offered monthly at the Church in Grand Junction contact the church for more information. Activities available at Senior City are: Tai Chi, Hand Chimes, Computer lessons, Pickle ball, Card games, Line Dancing, call 269-637-3607 for more information. Please spread the word about the help the Senior Services offers. Help a senior today for many are in need. Remember to check out the senior sentinel in your local paper.

PLANNING COMMISSION REP: Discussed the survey that would like to present to the public. Planning a community forum on August 15, 2018 @ 6:30 everyone welcome please come and express your thoughts or opinions for Columbia Township.

CEMETERY: No report.

BALL FIELD: Playing ball on the field.

FOIA REPORT: on going request for Miller and Speicher.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

DISCUSSION: zoning administrator Tasha from MTS in Allegan; ZBA,BOR applicants; upgrading server, police deputy laptop for office at fire station; dangerous building ordinance; litter ordinance; resolutions and new keyless entry locks for the hall.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Gruss seconded by Corke to approve Gasper to replace the hot water heater at the township hall. Motion carried. 4 yes, 1 no.
2. Motion by Corke seconded by Sherrer to table Medical Marihuana Date for Applications. Motion Carried.
3. Motion by Corke seconded by Gruss to approve the revisions in the Litter Ordinance pg. 3 only. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Corke seconded by Gruss to approve the revision of page in Dangerous Building Ordinance. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Motion by Huizenga seconded by Corke to rescind Resolution 2017-01 increasing planning commission members from 5 to 7. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Corke seconded by Sherrer to approve Hazardous Waste Agreement with the county, \$500.00. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Corke seconded by Norton to not to purchase tax reverted land from the county. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Sherrer seconded by Huizenga to approve Code and Key Policy. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Sherrer seconded by Corke to sell freezer. Motion carried.
6. Motion by Huizenga seconded by Sherrer to approve service agreement with Al-Van Humane Society \$500.00. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Please add service agreement to your agenda for tonight. The township could raise the roof on Station 1 to house newer trucks. Where has all the road money gone to in the township. Patching holes is not working.

BOARD COMMENTS: Sherrer stated that the people need to call their State Rep and Senator and complain to them also about the condition of the roads. Gruss commented: Millers DVD request will stay as a FOIA request; requesting the supervisor maintain a complaint log with status and put in a location that is accessible; requested from supervisor a copy of the revised key/ code policy.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Huizenga seconded by Corke. Time: 9:35 p.m.

Linda Norton, Supervisor
Stacey Corke, Clerk