

**FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**August 10, 2020 FORD RIVER TOWNSHIP HALL**

Called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor, J. Martin, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Members present J. Martin, D. Wellman, R. Scott, D. Brown, A Wagner  
Members absent: None

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**5. AGENDA**

Motion, A. Wagner, support R. Scott CARRIED to approve the Agenda.

**6. MINUTES**

Received Minutes:

Township Board Regular Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2020

Motion, A. Wagner, support R. Scott CARRIED, to accept the Township Board Regular meeting minutes for July 13, 2020.

Township Election Commission Meeting Minutes July 13, 2020

Motion, A. Wagner, support R. Scott CARRIED, to accept the Township Election Commission meeting minutes for July 13, 2020.

**7. REPORTS**

Received Reports.

- a. Financial Reports July 2020: The Treasurer and Clerk were in balance with the bank.

Motion, R. Scott, support D. Wellman, CARRIED, to acknowledge the financial reports for July 2020

- b. Zoning Administrator Report July 2020:

Motion, A. Wagner, support D. Brown CARRIED, to acknowledge the Zoning Administrator report for July 2020.

- c. Assessors Report July 2020

Motion, A. Wagner, support D. Brown CARRIED, to acknowledge the Assessors Report for July 2020.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- a. Ford River Township Planning Commission Meeting Minutes July 2, 2020.

**9. FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**

- a. Fireman's Report July 2020– Maintenance Reports/Treasurer's report. Brian Nelson, Fire Chief, was present.

Motion, A Wagner, support D. Brown CARRIED, to acknowledge the Fire report.

- b. Fire Chief Updates:  
Maintenance and billing updates.
- c. There was 1 fire call for July, billed.
- d. MFR. There was one bid received for MFR inventory.

Motion, R. Scott, support A. Wagner CARRIED, to accept a bid in the amount of \$201.00 from Rock Community Ambulance Service for the MFR inventory bundle.

#### **10. WATER SYSTEM BUSINESS**

- a. Water System Report July 2020

Motion, R. Scott, support, A. Wagner CARRIED, to acknowledge the water report for July 2020.

- b. Water Operator updates. Normal month with normal usage. A couple high but checked out and no leaks.
- c. Billing register July 2020

Motion A. Wagner, support R. Scott G. Boudreau, CARRIED, to acknowledge the billing register for July 2020.

- d. Water system maintenance. Mark will get estimates for next month to install 3 meters.

#### **11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Census is pretty much complete with Meisters Store being the location used.
- b. Marijuana tabled.
- c. River Cemetery. No violations were seen.
- d. Audit will take place on August 28<sup>th</sup> at the Township Hall.
- e. 911 signs. Supervisor will look into the legality of a committee being formed.
- f. Short term rentals. Supervisor will put together a press release. The Board understands this is not going to be an easy process.

#### **12. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Payment of bills:

Motion R. Scott, support, D. Wellman, CARRIED, to pay bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$28,544.45 and the Water Fund in the amount of \$5,387.93 and the Liquor Fund in the amount of \$84.97.

- b. Michigan Flag. R. Scott will look in to getting one.
- c. Amend Arnt Proposal is not needed. We do not need to remove curb blocks.
- d. Petty cash. A. Wagner would like to amend current purchasing policy to establish a petty cash fund to be used for lawn mover gas and misc. purchases. Treasurer will provide Clerk with new Policy and provide copies for the board.

Motion R. Scott, support D. Wellman, CARRIED, to establish a petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$200.00 by amending the current Purchasing Policy.

#### **13. PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENT**

Sept 14, 2020 at 5:30pm we will have food and cake for G. Boudreau and D. Wellman for their time on the board.

S. Godfrey suggests a public hearing on the Short Term Rentals as the needs of our residents may have changed since the original Ordinance.  
More discussion about Short Term Rentals. A Wagner states she has been a member of this board for 8 years, had a short term rental herself and had no idea this Township has put these restrictions on property owners.

T. Nelson thanks R. Scott for taking the position on the landfill committee.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion R. Scott, support, A. Wagner, CARRIED, to adjourn at 8:30pm.

Debbi Brown, Clerk



Approved:

