**Powell Township Board**

**PO Box 319, 101 Bensinger, Big Bay 49808**

**Tuesday February 19, 2019 7:00 PM**

**~~Draft Minutes~~**

**Approved 03/19/19**

1. Call to order at 7:01 PM, by Supervisor, at Powell Township Hall.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: Arline Erickson (Treasurer), Denise Hudson (Trustee), Joe Stanley (Trustee), Darlene Turner (Supervisor), Samantha Morin (Clerk)
4. Approval of Agenda with addition #12) Resolution to Establish Township Officers Salary (Stanley/Hudson). All in favor, motion passed.
5. Approval of Minutes:

* Approval of January 22nd, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting with addition to item 6a to include Supervision declares resolution passed (Stanley/Erickson) All in favor, motion passed.
* Approval of the Budget Meeting Minutes of February 15th, 2019 (Stanley/Erickson) All in favor, motion passed.

1. Expenditure & Revenue Report (Erickson/Turner) No Questions, All in favor, motion passed.
2. Treasurer’s Report. No questions.
3. Approval of Bills (Turner/Stanley) Stanley inquired White Water Associates had two invoices, clarification was provided. All in favor, motion passed.

**Committee & Department Reports:**

* 1. Ambulance Dept.- Three calls in the month, all runs had a full crew. One person in school currently and is doing well.
  2. Fire Dept. Three calls so far this month. One student, Jack Cram in fire class and is doing well. There are issues with air packs/batteries which may be covered by insurance. Currently changing maintenance schedule to eliminate issues and phase some of the packs out.
  3. Emergency Management- Two ongoing projects with protocols being written. They are also working on another round of grants/ donations to assist with more funding.
  4. Parks & Rec- Honey bear was a great success with about 55 people attending. February meeting was cancelled due to a storm, our next meeting will be Monday February 25th. Thursday February 21st there will be a benefit for the ski trail at Thunder Bay Inn including a 50/50 raffle, prizes, and music.
  5. Water Dept. -Everything is going well; we had one resident with frozen pipes, that was resolved. Darryl indicated that there may be higher than normal electric charges due to an electric heater running at the bottom of the water tower, the current heat tape needs to be replaced.
  6. Sewer Dept.- All is going well.
  7. Planning and Zoning- The next planning and zoning meeting is tomorrow night at 6:30. We will be meeting with Jason McCarthy and working on the master plan.
  8. Correspondence- None
  9. Presentation- None

**Public Comment:**

None.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. **Water System Improvement Project**
   1. Final Draw request #28- Motion made to adopt resolution (Hudson/Stanley). Roll call vote: Erickson- yes, Turner- yes, Hudson- yes, Stanley- yes, Morin- yes. Supervisor declares resolution passed on February 19th, 2019.

**New Business:**

1. Fire Dept. None
2. EMS: None
3. Planning Commission: None
4. Parks and Recreation: $150.00 stamps for Fire on the Bay (Erickson/Stanley) All in favor, motion passed.
5. 906 Web Site update- Tabled
6. Water Operator- Motion to pass Water Operator to attend Water Works class, April 16-17 in Harris, MI for the following amounts, Class- $165.00, Room-$99.50, Plus, Mileage (Erickson/Morin) All in favor, motion passed.
7. Approve application for Election Poll to apply for a grant. (Stanley/Erickson) All in favor, motion passed.

* Each precinct would receive;1 laptop, mouse, encrypted flash drive, and magnetic strip reader

1. Sanitation Wages increase $500.00 from Repair and Maintenance- Budget Amendment to move $500.00 from repair and maintenance into sanitation wages. (Stanley/Turner) All in favor, motion passed.
2. BS&A online public records search- Deputy Treasurer explained that BS&A online search would be beneficial for people in our township by making tax records accessible outside of office hours, adding this service will cost the township nothing, however it will cost $2.00 per record per search. (Morin/Erickson) All in favor, motion passed.
3. Class for Supervisor & Treasurer $89.00 each- additional class during April conference. (Erickson/Morin) All in favor, motion passed.
4. Important Dates:
   1. Board of Review March 11th, 2019 9am-3pm and March 12th, 3pm- 9pm 2019. Citizens can come with questions/concerns regarding taxes.
      1. Motion made to pay members of the board or review (Erickson/Morin) All in favor, motion passed.
   2. 2019/2020 Budget Meeting March 4th @ 1:00pm
   3. Budget Public Hearing March 19th @ 7:15 pm
5. Resolution to establish Township Officer Salary- Motion to accept Township Officer Salary (Morin/Erickson). Roll call vote: Erickson- yes, Turner- yes, Hudson- yes, Stanley- yes, Morin-yes. Supervisor declares resolution passed on February 19th, 2019.

**Public Comment:**

* Supervisor provided update on previous concerns: There is currently a school bus sign at the Alder creek bus stop area, the school has taken care of it.
* The streetlight at Brown Deer corner, the temporary light lit up the area well, asking if it can be changed back to the old-style light to see if that is sufficient enough to light up the area. We have received four complaints regarding this light.
* Question regarding Sanitation wages, Supervisor clarified that is for staffing the dump and we are not raising wages for that position, just creating a budget amendment.
* Concern regarding Fire on the Bay donation letters was raised, why isn’t everyone receiving letters? There is a concern that by sending the same people letters that you are relying on the same pool of people to fund while there could be more money raised by sending letters to everyone.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36PM by Supervisor

Amounts approved to be paid outside of Bills to be paid

* Stamps for Fire on the Bay- $150.00
* Class for Water Operator- $165, room $99.50, and mileage (approx. 110 each way) Total $264.50 plus mileage.
* Class for Supervisor and Treasurer $89.00 each. Total $178.00

Minutes prepared by

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