

NORWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES: September 14, 2020

Board members present: Don Byczek, Supervisor; Joyce Giuliani, Clerk; Kristen LaValley, Treasurer; Dave Solda, Trustee; Mike Steeno, Trustee

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Supervisor Byczek. Pledge was recited.
2. Approve/amend agenda: Motion to approve agenda as presented made by Solda, second by Steeno. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
3. Citizens' Time: None
4. Approve minutes of August 10th meeting: Motion by LaValley, second by Steeno, to approve minutes as presented. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
5. Financial report: Report of income and expenses for August was reviewed.
6. Bills for approval: list of bills to be paid was discussed. A bill was received from CUPPAD for annual dues of \$298.00. Several members questioned whether the township should join the group again this year as we have not gotten any help from them concerning our opting out of the joint planning agreement with the City of Norway. More information will be presented at next month's meeting regarding renewing our membership with CUPPAD. Motion by Steeno, second by Solda, to pay bills as presented with the exception of the CUPPAD bill. All ayes. Passed 5-0.
7. OLD BUSINESS:
  - a. Proposed camping ordinance - Byczek is still doing research on this topic. We hope to have an ordinance in place by next spring.
  - b. Norway Township Planning Commission and ZBA - the existing joint zoning ordinance has been rewritten and will be ready for review at the October meeting. Several other ordinances have to first be adopted before we can adopt our new zoning ordinance. The new ordinances will be presented at the next meeting.
  - c. Blight update - we will be going to court soon with one of our blight cases and the zoning officer is working closely with several other cases to hopefully avoid going to court. Progress is slow but some cases have definitely improved.
8. NEW BUSINESS:
  - a. Board of Review appt to replace Patsy Zanona for December - an ad will be placed in Lufts Advertiser for a replacement for Patsy Zanona.
  - b. Approve county agreement for County Designated Assessor - as required by law, all counties must have an agreement for local jurisdictions appointing a County Designated Assessor in the event that a local assessor does not meet the state assessing standards. Dickinson County has selected Patty Roell to be the County Designated Assessor. Motion was made by LaValley, second by Giuliani, to approve the county's selection of Patty Roell as the County Designated Assessor. All ayes. Passed 5-0.

9. Citizens Time - None.
10. Committee reports - **Solda** -North Alert Ambulance Authority is purchasing a new ambulance at a cost of \$170,000.00.
11. Board member comments - **Giuliani** - gave monthly fire report and election update. AV ballot request numbers are up from the last election. **LaValley** - last day to pay summer taxes is 9/14/20. Collections have gone well this summer. **Steen** - would like to see us have a good relationship with the City of Norway after we start operating under our own zoning ordinance. **Byczek** - the East Vulcan Recreation Area will be closing next week. U.S. 2 in Norway will be closed until October for storm sewer and culvert work. Brickyard Rd has been sealed and striped by the county road commission. A local resident has asked that we start locking the gate on the cemetery gravel pit road again due to ATVs and trucks driving through cemetery land and entering his land. The Facilities Manager will be informed. We haven't heard anything regarding who was awarded the contract for the Solar Array Project at the Groveland Mine Site.
12. Facility Manager Comments: The tree removal work is still not done as the contractor is working for FEMA in areas hit by the hurricanes recently. He is still planning on doing the removal work as time permits.
13. Adjournment: Being no further business, motion was made by Giuliani, second by Steeno, to adjourn. All ayes. Passed 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. Next meeting will be October 12, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Joyce Giuliani