

Girard Township
1009 Marshall Rd.
COLDWATER, MI
December 3, 2018
REGULAR MEETING

Supervisor Gene Easterday called the meeting to order @ 7:00 P.M. Those present with Supervisor Gene Easterday were, Clerk Kathy Weigt, Treasurer Julie Waterbury, Trustee George Baker and Trustee Candy Cox Note: Approx. 9 public attendees.

Motion by Clerk Kathy Weigt to approve the agenda as presented. Supported by Supervisor Gene Easterday. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Having no public comment, the meeting advanced.

Motion by Treasurer Julie Waterbury to approve the November 12, 2018 Board Minutes as presented. Supported by Trustee Candy Cox. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Motion by Clerk Kathy Weigt, Supported by Trustee Candy Cox to accept and place on file the November 15, 2018 Planning Commission Minutes. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay,

Motion by Trustee George Baker to pay the bills due. Supported by Clerk Kathy Weigt. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Motion by Trustee Candy Cox to accept and place on file the financial report as presented. Supported by Trustee George Baker. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

New Business: Motion by Trustee Candy Cox, Supported by Trustee George Baker to approve the 2019 board meeting dates recommended by Supervisor Gene Easterday. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay. Dates established for the 2019 calendar year are: Monday January 7, Monday February 4, Monday March 4, Monday April 1, Monday May 6, Monday June 3, Monday July 1, Monday August 5, Tuesday September 3, Monday October 7, Monday November 4 and Monday December 2, 2019.

Items to discuss for the upcoming budget include: Roads, Salaries, Cemeteries, Planning/Assessing/Zoning.

Treasurer's Report: On the financial side Expenses currently exceed Revenues by approx. \$31,000, this will start to change with the collection of winter taxes. Winter tax bills have been sent and collection has started. Office hours to pay in person will be held on Friday December 28, 2018 from 9:00am-5:00pm.

Supervisor's Report: McKenna and Associates quoted \$8K to completely update the current Master Plan; Supervisor Gene Easterday recommends doing this. ITC and the Coldwater Fire Chief will be attending the January meeting. Nothing from Cypress Creek. Board of Review will meet December 11, 2018 at 5:15pm.

Zoning Report: No permits-several inquiries on land splits

Sheriff's Report: Bids from all Architects for the new jail have been gathered and interviews will begin at the County level on Thursday December 6, 2018.

December 11, 2018, County Commissioners will get with the Sheriff's Department to discuss their findings and gather input with hopes of expediting in a forward direction.

With the passage of the Recreational Marijuana bill, the grants dedicated to Law Enforcement for Education and Equipment are no longer available. This is a loss of about \$14K for the Sheriff's Office. Copy of the Sheriff's report is on file at the townhall for viewing.

Commissioners Report: Periodic review of policies have begun to include updating, changing or adding policies, discarding policies no longer needed. This comprehensive review is conducted every ten years.

COA appealed to the county board for additional intervention with an ongoing issue pertaining to their HVAC system. The current being a ventilation and humidity concern. The County board will meet with the architect and engineer on December 13, 2018.

The County's prosecutor resigned effective Jan. 1, 2019. The Circuit Judge will appoint a replacement for this position until the voters decide in 2020. Full report on file at the townhall.

Having no further business, **Motion by** Clerk Kathy Weigt, Supported by Supervisor Gene Easterday to adjourn. Motion Carried. Adjourned 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Weigt-Clerk