

Girard Township
1009 Marshall Rd.
COLDWATER, MI
AUGUST 13, 2018
REGULAR MEETING

Supervisor Gene Easterday called the meeting to order @ 6:55 P.M. Present besides Easterday were, Clerk Kathy Weigt, Treasurer Julie Waterbury, and Trustee Candy Cox / Trustee George Baker. Note: Approx. 16 public attendees.

Motion by Trustee Candy Cox to approve the agenda with the additions of ITC- Special Use Permit and City of Coldwater/Hazardous Waste collection. Supported by Trustee George Baker. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Motion by Clerk Kathy Weigt to approve the July 2, 2018 Board Minutes as presented. Supported by Trustee George Baker. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Motion by Trustee Candy Cox to approve the July 27, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes as presented. Supported by Clerk Kathy Weigt. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Motion by Trustee George Baker to pay the bills due. Supported by Treasurer Julie Waterbury. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

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

Motion by Trustee Candy Cox to advertise in the Shopper's Guide or The Daily Reporter to replace Zoning Administrator Jim Webb. (Jim's last day will be Nov. 1, 2018). Supported by Treasurer Julie Waterbury. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay. Mr. Webb will work with Supervisor Gene Easterday in compiling the advertisement.

Motion by Trustee Candy Cox to approve Supervisor Gene Easterday to erect the old Evergreen Cemetery sign, by means, of a corner post at the entrance drive by the Al Fleming property. The sign will face east and west. Supported by Trustee George Baker. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay. The township has left over material less the cement top for the corner post.

Motion by Trustee Candy Cox to grant Duane Rathbun/ William Green (Waffle Farm Campground) a September 2, 2018 Fireworks permit. (No fee will be collected for this permit). Supported by Trustee George Baker. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay.

Motion by Treasurer Julie Waterbury to accept the recommendation from the Planning Commission to grant a Special Use Permit to ITC for the (32) parcels who volunteered settlement regarding the Wagner- Newton high tension power lines. Supported by Supervisor Gene Easterday. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Candy Cox- Yes, Treasurer Julie Waterbury-Yes, Supervisor Gene Easterday- Yes, Trustee George Baker- Yes and Clerk Kathy Weigt- Yes. 0 Nay. Motion Carried. ITC will come before the board with the remaining (13) parcels when settlement is made. Girard Township does not grant a permit for the unsettled parcels.

During public comment, attendee Dwight Woodman asked the board if they were aware of the City of Coldwater seeking monetary help from each township regarding the hazardous waste collection they host each year. Supervisor Gene Easterday recently received a letter addressing this. However, he has not had the time to pass it on to the other board members.

Motion by Clerk Kathy Weigt to table and move the Hazardous Waste agenda to the September 4, 2018 meeting. Supported by Trustee George Baker. Motion Carried. 5 Ayes, 0 Nay

New Business: Auditors report- Girard Township's two- year audit was conducted in May 2018 by Greg Bailey (Bailey, Hodshire & Company, P.C.) out of Jonesville, MI.

The results found Girard Township to be in good financial status. An overage of \$7900 in the Municipal Street Fund (Special Assessments) was created when the township board did not adopt a budget for this fund at the beginning of their fiscal year, with an amendment at their year- end. Treasurer Julie Waterbury will give a corrective action when notified by the State of Michigan.

Treasurer's Report: Collected about 40% of the summer property taxes.

Last day for collection without penalty is September 14, 2018. Treasurer Julie Waterbury will hold office hours from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p. m.

Sexton's Report- No burials, poured 3 foundations and working on repairing old headstones

Motion by Trustee George Baker, supported by Trustee Candy Cox to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Weigt-Clerk