

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
November 13, 2018

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Chad VanSyckle, Treasurer Melissa VanSyckle, Clerk Penelope Ypma, Trustee Mike Altoft, Trustee Jake Ypma.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor VanSyckle.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

GUESTS: Scott Adams updated the board regarding his medical marihuana grow operation with the State of MI. Shawn Benner updated the board with his medical marihuana grow operation and provisioning center.

MINUTES: Without objection or correction, the Oct. 9, 2018, Oct 18, & Oct. 30, 2018 minutes were approved. Moved by J. Ypma, supported by C. VanSyckle. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Treasurer VanSyckle reported that she will be moving the money market funds to Fifth Third Bank in Hastings. No discussion.

APPROVE WARRANTS: Moved by C. VanSyckle, supported by M. Altoft, to approve payment for checks #11705-11734 in the amount of \$19,955.79. No discussion. All ayes. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Township-wide Dust Control – Trustee Ypma presented a report on dust control cost received from Barry County Road Commission. Moved by J. Ypma, supported by C. VanSyckle to contract with BCRC for 1-year in the amount of approximately \$21,000, (2) applications, for the year 2019. ROLL CALL VOTE: M. VanSyckle – YES M. Altoft – YES J. Ypma – YES P.Ypma – YES. Motion carried.

Poverty Guidelines – Supervisor VanSyckle asked to table until next month.

BIRCH FIRE PROTECTION – Fire Chief Pete Dunn was present. A request for cost and details to be in writing from Fire Chief Dunn, along with an acceptance letter from Johnstown Board. Supervisor VanSyckle will attend the Johnstown Board meeting on November 14, 2018.

Township Newsletter- the board approved the letters written by trustee Ypma regarding firefighters needed and township-wide dust control for the year 2019.

FOIA – Black Knight request- Treasurer VanSyckle reported her findings from MTA regarding legal cost that can be charged for request by Black Knight. Treasurer VanSyckle fulfilled the request via email. No charges were incurred.

CLERK’S REPORT –Clerk Ypma reported on the November 6, 2018 Election Day.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT: Commissioner Heather Wing presented a report.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: Susan Willison reported her opinion regarding the FOIA. Shawn Benner requested the board to consider first right of refusal to himself and Scott Adams regarding the new recreational marihuana laws.

ATTESTED BY:

Chad VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date