

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
March 12, 2019

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: Josh and MacKenzie Smallwood – request for a growers license. The Smallwood's presented their business plan for medical marihuana.

Shawn Benner – reported that he will be closing on the Dowling General Store on March 13, 2019.

Scott Adams – reported that he will have the processing center completed this fall.

Jack Ward, Barry County Planning & Zoning Enforcement Officer, presented a report.

MINUTES: Without objection or correction, the February 12, 2019 minutes were approved. Moved by P. Ypma, supported by M. VanSyckle. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Report provided. No discussion. Approved as read.

APPROVE WARRANTS: Moved by P. Ypma, supported by J. Ypma, to approve payment for checks #11816-11840 in the amount of \$61,632.07. No discussion. All ayes. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

PARTIAL ROAD CLOSURE REQUEST – Healy Rd. to Dowling Rd. Request made by Christine Babcock-Aryes. Supervisor VanSyckle has not heard from the Barry Road Commission.

NEW BUSINESS:

Marihuana grow license request from Josh and MacKenzie Smallwood. The board discussed that an increase of one more grow license would need to be added to the current ordinance to meet the request. Clerk Ypma requested the board table a decision until next month allowing for more time to consider the request.

2019-20 BUDGET – the board scheduled a budget planning meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 6 PM. Budget adoption special meeting is scheduled on March 28, at 6 PM.

YEAR END BILLS – the board approved for the treasurer and clerk to pay all year-end payments for fiscal year 2018-19.

CREDIT CARD – Moved by J. Ypma, supported by P. Ypma, to have treasurer research a business credit card that would provide cash back to the township and to report back at our April regular board meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

CREDIT CARD POLICY – Moved by J. Ypma, supported by P. Ypma, that all purchases over the amount of \$50 must be added to the township's credit card. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Heather Wing – ABSENT

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT:

Terry Williams spoke regarding his want to continue with mud bogs. Clerk Ypma reported that in accordance to the township's Event Ordinance, his request would require an application completed and submitted to the board.

Koreen Sheldon spoke in favor of Josh and MacKenzie Smallwood and their reputation as owners of a cannabis business in Middleville.

Cathy Vander Roest presented a brochure and spoke to the board in regard to her husband, who is a candidate for the 19th MTA District Director.

Scott Adams gave a compliment to Melissa VanSyckle for moving the money market to a higher paying bank.

Mr. Guy requested that Ickes Rd. not receive any chloride this summer. Dust Control Coordinator, Jake Ypma, reported that he would contact the Barry County Road Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Chad VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date