

**Three Oaks Township Board of Trustees  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
February 10, 2020**

Regular meeting called to order at 7:02 pm.

Members present; Osburn, Gordon, Mitchell and Mangold  
Absent; Zabel

**Public Comment;** Dan Peterson, newly appointed Director of the Pokagon Fund, introduced himself and offered words of continued cooperation with the Township.

Bruce Blehart expressed concerns about the Township's website lacking information concerning the monthly meeting agenda and information concerning items for discussion.

**Agendas;**

Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to approve the Meeting Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mangold, supported by Gordon, to approve the Consent Agenda with the adjusted estimated Bills To Be Paid of \$38,924.71 Roll Call;  
Ayes; Osburn, Mitchell, Gordon, Mangold

Nays; None

Absent; Zabel Motion carried 4-0-1

**Old Business;**

**Spring Creek School**

Mitchell updated the Trustees of progress of work and items that were at the Library, hanging globe lights, desks, books and a map that could be refurbished and used at the School.

**Litter & Debris Cleanup Update**

Supervisor Mangold updated the Trustees on the two (2) recent Litter & Debris Judgements. The Patton property, at 18946 Avery Road, has been contracted out and cleaned up. All associated costs related to this cleanup will be placed on the property tax. The Anderson/Harris property at 16967 Three Oaks Road, has a Court hearing tomorrow, February 11, 2020 at 8:30 am for final determination.

**New Business;**

**Resolutions**

Motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to adopt the amended Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Level Test Resolution as Presented. Roll Call:  
Ayes; Osburn, Gordon, Mitchell, Mangold  
Nays; None  
Absent; Zabel  
Motion passed, 4-0-1

Motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to adopt the Three Oaks Township Resolution to Set an Alternate Date for the July Board of Review 2020 as presented. Roll Call;  
Ayes; Mangold, Osburn, Gordon, Mitchell  
Nays; None  
Absent; Zabel  
Motion passed, 4-0-1

Motion by Gordon, supported by Mitchell, to adopt the Three Oaks Township Resolution to Set an Alternate Date for the December Board of Review 2020 as presented. Roll Call;  
Ayes; Mitchell, Gordon, Osburn, Mangold  
Nays; None  
Absent; Zabel  
Motion passed, 4-0-1

**Approval of Text Amendment of Article 14, Signs**

Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to approve the Text Amendments to Three Oaks Township Zoning Ordinance – Article 14, Signs, as presented and recommended by the Planning Commission and the Berrien County Planning Commission. Roll Call;  
Ayes; Osburn, Mangold, Gordon, Mitchell  
Nays; None  
Absent; Zabel Motion Passed, 4-0-1

Motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to allow the Township to seek possible Grant funds from The Pokagon Fund should Township be asked to participate. Motion carried.

**Senate Bill 431**

Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, for Three Oaks Township Board of Trustees to contact State Senator Kim Lasata in our opposition To SB431 which preempts local control for sand and gravel mining operations. Motion passed.

**Township Auditor**

By Common Consent the Board of Trustees authorized the Township To solicit proposals for a new Auditor.

**MTA Conference**

Attendees for the MTA Conference, April 27-30, 2020 will be Clerk, Elizabeth Zabel, Deputy Clerk, Pam Gonzales and Trustee Rexalee Gordon

**Public Hearing for 2020-2021 Three Oaks Township Budget**

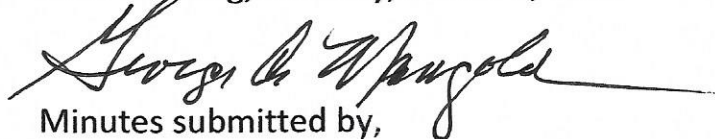
Supervisor Mangold announced that Public Hearing for the 2020/2021 Township Budget will be held on Monday, March 9, 2020 at 7:00 pm, Prior to the next regular meeting.

**Public Comment;**

Sharon Christner expressed support for using the Township's Website as a tool in communicating with the general public and hopefully causing better interest and support within the Township.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:56 pm.

Next meeting, Monday, March 9, 2020



Minutes submitted by,

George A. Mangold

Three Oaks Township Supervisor