

**Three Oaks Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2022**

Regular meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call, Present: Gordon, Mangold, Mitchell and Osburn. **Absent:** Zabel

Public Comment; None

Agendas;

Motion by Gordon, supported by Mitchell, to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to approve the Consent Agenda with Bills To Be Paid estimated total of \$30,340.09. Roll Call; Ayes: Gordon, Mangold, Osburn and Mitchell, Nays: None, Absent: Zabel. Motion carried, 4-0-1

Old Business;

Mitchell gave an update of the Spring Creek School Restoration Project, Phase II with the submission of a Letter of Inquiry to the Pokagon Fund for a Municipal Grant request. Mitchell anticipates the Pokagon Fund to approve starting the application for the Phase II grant at their January 20, 2022 meeting.

New Business;

- 1. Motion by Mangold, supported by Gordon, to appoint Mark Seifert to the Township Planning Commission to replace Judy Lang, who resigned in December, to a Three (3) Year term; 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2024. Motion carried. Arrangements are being made for on-line training.**
- 2. Mangold presented to the Board a draft of the new Four Year Fire Protection Agreement that was prepared by the Township Attorney and given to the Village of Three Oaks for their review.**
- 3. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to reinstate Brandon Breneman back to his previous position as an active Firefighter following his return from three tours of duty at McMurdo Station in the Antarctica. Motion carried.**
- 4. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to accept the Fire Dept. recommendation to hire Annette "Netti" Donner as a probationary firefighter. Motion carried.**
- 5. Fire Chief Dave Flick presented to the Board a request to seek architectural services to assist in developing plans for a one story addition to the current building to incorporate additional bays for fire department trucks and equipment as well as two possible bays ambulance bays with equipment and sleeping facilities. The existing facility was built in the early 1970's and is compromising it's effectiveness. Current plans being considered within the Village and Township only enhance the need to consider this project.**

Chief Flick has been calling and checking on possible grant money from FEMA and other sources. This project is a revision of an idea expressed in 2005. A motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to allow Chief Flick and the Township to enter into a contract with Brooks Architectural, 5844 Red Arrow Hwy. Stevensville, MI to establish a Preliminary Design – Phase 1 project budget cost estimate at a cost of \$11,000.00 which includes a \$2,000.00 retainer fee. Roll Call: Ayes; Mangold, Osburn, Gordon and Mitchell, Nays; None. Absent; Zabel. Motion carried 4-0-1.

6. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to extend the Winter Tax Deadline from February 14, 2022 to February 28, 2022 without penalty. Motion carried 4-0-1.
7. Motion by Mangold, supported by Mitchell, to allow Township attendance registration at the MTA Conference & Expo, April 25-28, 2022 in Lansing Mi. at \$1,600 and to adjust January Bills to be paid by \$12,600.00 to a total of \$42,940.09. Roll Call: Ayes; Mitchell, Gordon, Mangold, and Osburn, Nays; None, Absent; Zabel. Motion carried.

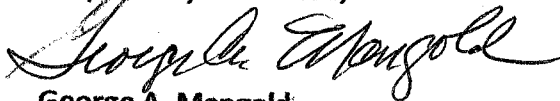
Final Public Comment:

Tom Pauley commented of his appreciation of the work of both Fire Dept. and Ambulance personnel and support of additional facilities and equipment.

The meeting adjourned @ 8:06 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 14, 2022 @ 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



George A. Mangold
Township Supervisor