

Three Oaks Township Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2021

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 Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to add the Fire Dept's. request to purchase Four (4) sets of Turn-Out Gear to New Business, Item #10. Motion carried.

Motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to approve the Consent Agenda with Bills To Be Paid estimated total of \$28,169.22. Roll Call; Ayes: Gordon, Mitchell, Osburn and Mangold, Nays: None, Absent: Zabel. Motion carried, 4-0-1

Old Business;

Mitchell presented a review of the completed Phase One of the Spring Creek School Restoration Project that began in 2019. Gary Geist, of Triton Construction, presented the proposed estimated cost of Phase Two at \$152,392. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, for Mitchell to apply to the Pokagon Fund and any other grants that may be available to complete this project. Motion carried.

New Business;

1. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to appoint John Kramer to the Board of Review to replace Dave Grosse who moved out of the Township and reappoint Dave Thomas, Ken Seifert and John Kramer to Two (2) Year terms; 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2023. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Gordon, supported by Mitchell, to accept the resignation, with regrets, of Judy Lang from the Planning Commission and reappoint Sarah Bardusk and John Kramer to Three Year terms; 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2024. Motion carried. Motion by Mangold, supported by Gordon, to allow the Township to reduce the size of the Planning Commission to the minimum of five (5) members from seven (7) should the Township be unable to secure individuals to fill the vacancies. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to reappoint Terri Newkirk and Joe Bardusk to The Board of Appeals to Three (3) Year terms; 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2024. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to reappoint Dave Thomas to the Construction Board of Appeals to a One (1) Year term; 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2022. Motion carried.

5. Motion by Gordon, supported by Osburn, to reappoint Joan Brown as Twp. Representative to the Twp./Village Park& Rec. Board for a Five Year term; 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2026. Motion carried.
6. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to approve the new Two Year Ambulance Service Agreement for 2022 and 2023 at \$7,950.00 per month or \$95,400.00 per year. Roll Call: Ayes; Osburn, Mitchell, Gordon and Mangold, Nays; None. Absent; Zabel. Motion carried 4-0-1.
7. Mangold reviewed communications from The Berrien County Road Dept's. 2022 Revised Local Road Program Distribution showing a loss to the Township of \$8,548 from earlier projected figures. The reason given was that the population figure for the Township previously included the Village and that was out of formula.
8. Motion by Mangold, supported by Mitchell, to replace the Driveway Section Posts in the Bi-Centennial Addition at Forest Lawn Cemetery for an approximate cost of \$1,500. Roll Call: Ayes; Mangold, Osburn, Gordon and Mitchell, Nays; None, Absent; Zabel. Motion carried 4-0-1.
Motion by Mitchell, supported by Osburn, to pay \$100 for downed Cedar tree removal at Shedd Cemetery to Robert Martin. Roll Call: Ayes; Mitchell, Gordon, Mangold and Osburn, Nays; None, Absent; Zabel. Motion carried 4-0-1.
9. Mangold reported on the invitation by the Rebecca Dewey Chapter NSDAR to the first annual National Wreaths Across American wreath laying ceremony at 12:00 noon on Saturday, December 18, 2021 at Shedd Cemetery.
10. Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to allow the Fire Dept. to purchase Four (4) sets of Turn-Out gear at a cost of \$9,328. Roll Call: Ayes; Mangold, Gordon, Mitchell and Osburn, Nays; None, Absent; Zabel. Motion carried 4-0-1.
Motion by Mitchell, supported by Gordon, to accept the Fire Dept. recommendation to hire Riley Swain as a probationary firefighter. Motion carried.
Motion by Mangold, supported by Mitchell, to adjust the December Bills to be Paid total by \$10,928, bring the new total to \$39,097.22. Roll Call: Ayes; Gordon, Mangold, Osburn and Mitchell, Nays; None, Absent; Zabel. Motion carried 4-0-1.

Final Public Comment;

Matt Sulkowski, CEO fello cannabis, Thanked the Board for their service to the community and offered assistance concerning the marijuana business.

The meeting adjourned @ 8:05 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2022 @ 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

George A. Mangold
Township Supervisor