

**POLKTON CHARTER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING - MINUTES
APRIL 1, 2021, - 7:00 P.M.
TOWNSHIP HALL, 6900 ARTHUR, COOPERSVILLE, MI.**

Board Members Present: at the Township Hall were D.Biller, T.Costigan, C.Langeland, R.Liszewski, R.Scott and M.VandenBrink. A "GoTo" meeting was not held as covid restrictions have been reduced.
Absent: J.Meerman

Additional Attendees: Jim Key

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited with Biller offering the invocation.
Supervisor Costigan called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None Received.

AGENDA: Liszewski moved to approve the agenda, Langeland supported. All Ayes; Approved.

AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA: Liszewski moved with support from Scott to approve the Consent Agenda.
Approved were: Minutes from the Regular Board meeting of March 4, Bills to be paid, the Treasurers Report. Minutes from PC minutes from March 16, Fire Authority March 9 with financials. The Sheridan Park March 18 minutes, SE Schoolhouse minutes of March 1 and the March BOR Minutes. All Ayes.

**CONSENT
AGENDA**

Bills Paid: GF\$46,165.49(Ck#3079-3099) Payroll, 3 EFT PR Tax, (GF Cks#10487-10502) and WF \$29.13(Ck#1526).

Treasurers Report: Presented by Liszewski: Interest for March was not included on this draft report due to the date of meeting. Foundation yearly S.Park maintenance interest funds have been received.

**BOARD
REPORTS**

PC Report: by Scott: With nothing on the monthly agenda, the PC was given advice and some preliminary information on how to begin work up on the accessory building ordinance.

Fire Authority Report: by Biller: The billing of \$1,187.50 received from Wright/Tallmadge fire department for mutual aid assistance on an oil spill appears to have been a misunderstanding. Low flow alarms continue to be activated, no solutions to date. Costs are being sought for replacement trucks continue.

Sheridan Park & SE Schoolhouse: by Key: Black top dirt has been delivered for finish seedings in a few updated areas. Key will also be meeting with the Plummers and Fitters union as they are willing to work on the plumbing in the S.E. School. While budgeting for 2021, the final payment on the additional acre for parking was not budgeted for, leaving the PI budget likely in need of amendments.

BOR March Minutes: by Costigan: Most of the BOR Adjustments were Veterans exemptions with a few residents requesting classification adjustments or assessed value review.

METRO ACT – ACENTEK - RENEWAL APPLICATION: A Universal renewal application was received from Acentek. This renewal updates contacts for the company, it does not appear that any additional information has changed. Langeland moved to approve the application as presented, VandenBrink supported. Along with the approval, a request will be made to Acentek for any additional information on intentions for expanded service areas. All Ayes. Approved.

**ACENTEK
METRO ACT
RENEWAL**

DISCONTINUANCE RESOLUTION – VERIZON: Township Board minutes from November 1, 2018 state the MonoPole Tower SLU approved was to be substantially completed by March of 2020. Escrow funds have also been held during this time period. A Resolution of Discontinuance has been presented as nothing has been initiated to date. A motion by Liszewski was made to approve the resolution discontinuing the SLU approval, return of the escrow fund balance and requiring a new application. Support from Scott. A roll call vote was taken, All Ayes. Approved. RES#21-4-2

**VERIZON
88th Ave
POLE
Discontinued
Approval
RES#21-4-2**

ZONING ESCROW FEE POLICY – RE-ESTABLISHING RESOLUTION: In July of 2003 an Escrow Policy to allow for reimbursement of expenses incurred for applicants was approved. This resolution would re-establish the policy as previously approved. Liszewski would like to see one change within the policy to item #4. "As costs are applied to the escrow account, the applicant shall make additional deposits to cover the deficiency and to re-establish the initial required escrow account fund balance as determined by the Township". Langeland moved to approve the Resolution with the change suggested by Liszewski, support from Costigan. All Ayes, Approved. Res#21-4-3

**ESCROW
FEES
RES#21-4-3**

BROADBAND INITIATIVE: Ottawa County has launched a comprehensive Digital Inclusion Strategy, per a letter received dated March 18, 2021. Many calls were received during the Covid restrictions questioned how residents could get internet WiFi without breaking the bank. Our rural areas do not have affordable options if any at all. Costigan has spoke with Paul Sachs from OC Planning and feels they have a very thorough idea to move forward with. The County has requested a \$500 financial allocation from all local governments to activate a data collection effort. Further information may be found at www.miottawa.org/broadband. Biller moved to allocate the \$500 to Ottawa County for their research, support from Scott. All Ayes, Approved.

**BROADBAND
OC PLAN**

2021 ROAD 50/50 GRAVEL PROGRAM: A couple of gravel roads have been suggested for gravel base improvement. Two (2) miles have been suggested annually with township costs budgeted for \$40,000. New members of the board would like to look at the gravel roads suggested and research additional information. Concensus of the board was to revisit at the next meeting.

**2021 ROAD
GRAVEL
50/50**

FIRE AUTHORITY 2022 PROPOSED BUDGET: The 2022 proposed budget was presented by Biller dicussions were held, the final budget total proposed, remains the same for operations. A new truck purchase is proposed, yet allocations by the township and city to the capital fund are to be reduced. Biller moved to approve the proposed budget as presented for 2022 following the City of Coopersville's fiscal year, support from Scott. All Ayes. Approved.

**2022 FIRE
AUTHORITY
BUDGET**

BOARD DISCUSSION: Clean Up day will be held this year on the second Saturday of May, being May 8, 2021 from 7:30am to 11:30am at the OC Landfill. The land grant application has been submitted for a second try. Liszewski updated the board on her efforts to collect a habitual delinquent personal property tax, a Jeopardy Assessment letter has been discussed with Legal Counsel. Outside storage at the State Road commercial location continues, all of the businesses at this location were approved allowing NO outside storage, Costigan will touch base.

**BOARD
DISCUSSION
CLEANUP
DAY
DELINQUENT
PP**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

It was moved and supported to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Minutes written by: Connie Langeland, Clerk
Approved. 5/6/2021