

**HOWARD TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
January 18th, 2022 7:00 p.m.**

Call to Order/Pledge/Roll Call:

Supervisor Bill Kasprzak called the regular meeting of the Howard Township Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at Howard Township Business Office. Pledge to the flag was given. Board members, Mike Gordon, Mike Daly, Gary Conover, Sheri Wozniak, Hank Johnson, Bill Kasprzak, and Phil Hurlbutt were present.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Jphnson, supported by Conover to approve the agenda, carried.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Gordon, supported by Daly to approve the December 21st, 2021 regular meeting minutes, carried.

Financial Report:

Treasurer Gordon read the December 2021 financial report into the record. A motion was made by Daly, supported by Conover to accept the December 2021 monthly financial report as presented with a beginning balance of \$772,610.69 and an ending balance of \$756,810.04 carried.

Approval of Bills

A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Johnson to approve the monthly bills for payment, carried.

Departmental Reports

There were 42 EMS calls and 8 Fire calls for December 2021. Trustee Gordon reported that the parks while the parks are closed there is some discussion as to park hours as disc golf continues to use Jones Park. Work continues on the Community Hall to prepare it to rent. The Sheriff's department continues to be busy in the township. A presentation on end of year stats was presented. The building department continues to be busy. SMACS continues to be busy. A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Johnson to approve the monthly reports, carried.

Information

Set Budget workshops for February 19th and 26th with the public hearing on March 5th, 2022. Final Rule for disbursement of Covid funds was sent digitally to each board member. Scott Miller resigned from Zoning Board of Appeals effective immediately. Cliff Poehlman resigned from Planning Commission effective immediately. Melissa Rowe the principal of Howard school accepted the giving tree donations. The clerk presented information that Howard is eligible to become a charter township.

Old Business

None

New Business

Approve Appointment for Linda McGregor as an Alternate for Board of Review for a 2-year term ending in 2024. A motion was made by Wozniak, supported by Hurlbutt, Carried.

Approve Appointment of Scott Miller to Planning Commission for a 3-year term ending in 2025. A motion was made by Gordon, supported by Conover, Carried.

Approve Reappointment of Kevin Kunst to ZBA for 2-year term ending in 2024. A motion was made by Daly, supported by Johnson. Carried

Approve Appointment of Linda Rudlaff to ZBA for a 1-year term ending in 2023. A motion was made by Johnson, supported by Daly. Carried

Approve Reappointment of Tom Roberts to Planning Commission for 2-year term ending is 2024. A motion was made by Gordon, supported by Johnson. Carried.

Approve Dump Day set for May 14th, 2022 from 8a-11am. A motion was made by Woznaik, supported by Conover. Carried.

Correspondence

None

Other Business from the Board

Public Comment

Tom Hable presented to the board information to lower the weed assessment to \$100.00. Phil Johnson and Bruno Eidielis presented to the board objection to leaving the gate open between Sunset and Breezy Beach during the winter months. Discussion was held and the gate will remain open while the township, road commission and residents continue to work on the issue. Jerome Kemnitz complained about the property at 1028 Bame, claiming it was dangerous and dilapidated and presented a public hazard. The board explained that the property had been cited last week and that blight enforcement proceedings have started. The supervisor advised that he had spoken to the power plant operator and that the noise is due to cleaning the equipment and would last approximately 2 months.

Adjournment:

Adjourned at 8:00 pm, carried.

Sheri Wozniak
Howard Township Clerk