



**Regular Board Minutes
March 12, 2018 – 7:40 p.m.**

1. Meeting was called to order by Supv. B. Moore
2. Pledge of allegiance recited by all.
3. In attendance: Supervisor Brian Moore, Treasurer Richard Hitchingham, Clerk Penny Nelson, Trustees Judy Wheelock and Keith Moore
4. With no additions or corrections to the agenda by either the board or audience, motion by K. Moore, 2nd by J. Wheelock to approve agenda. Passed.
5. Motion by K. Moore, 2nd by R. Hitchingham to approve minutes of February 12, 2018 meeting. Passed.
6. Treasurer's report. D. Hitchingham reviewed the township's February operating statement and balance sheet. Funds have been separated into infrastructure and operations. Treasurer asked that we make a budget adjustment to increase Healy Lake maintenance to \$2,500 making the total expenses for the 2017-2018 budget to be \$7,500 rather than \$5,000. Motion by R. Hitchingham, 2nd J. Wheelock to make the \$2,500 budget adjustment to the Healy Lake maintenance line item making the total \$7,500. Passed
7. Motion by K. Moore, 2nd by J. Wheelock to pay bills presented. Passed.
8. Officers and committee reports:
 - a. Cleon Fire Department. FD Cpt. Dave Saunders reviewed last month's activities. No runs at all but had training. Clarified that the fire protection contract rates between Cleon Township Fire Department and Springdale Township beginning April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2021 would remain the same for these three years.

EMS Director, Jim Franke explained ambulance coverage area and how Munson Medical Control Authority set up these boundaries many years ago. Soon many counties will be under the Munson Medical Control Authority as the state is trying to reduce the number of medical control authorities for uniformity. Currently the Manistee Medical Control Authority decides their operating protocols. Questioned regarding the current system's ability to locate roads and what the time element will be for upgrading the Thompsonville EMS system. Manistee uses maps to find roads. Thompsonville EMS time for the Meadowlark call when dispatched was eight minutes. Thompsonville EMS is working on a grant for an 800 MHz system for their department.
 - b. Caretaker. T. Lipinski reviewed his work during last month. One hall rental this month.
 - c. Betsie Valley Library. R. Hitchingham reviewed the library's activities and usage by township residents last month. Wings of Wonder will present on April 21 at the library.
 - d. Recreation Committee Plan. None.

9. Correspondence and communications. Magazines: Township Focus, Consumers, Country Lines. P. Nelson received a resident's email request regarding a son who is active in the county recreation program, asking us to pay into the recreation fund which would allow a discounted fee for them.
10. Public comments. None.
11. Old or Unfinished Business
 - a. EMS status. Addressed earlier in meeting.
 - b. Policy/Procedure for township contractors' insurance – pending.
 - c. Employee manual – pending.
12. **New business**
 - a. 2018-2019 budget discussion and approval. Motion by J. Wheelock, 2nd by R. Hitchingham to adopt the proposed 2018-2019 budget increasing caretaker wages to \$14 per hour and increasing John Humphrey's per snowplow to \$55 and retaining the current 1.2684 millage.
13. **Brief board comments.** Risk management will be auditing the township March 28 at 10 a.m.
14. **Adjournment.**