

**PLEASANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
MANISTEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

August 8, 2016

APPROVED MINUTES

The regular monthly meeting of the Pleasanton Township Board was called to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Members present: Supervisor Carol Merrill; Clerk Amy Cross, Treasurer Judy Girven, Trustee Brenda Monk, Trustee Rochelle Rollenhagen.

Agenda addendums: Invoice - tree at cemetery, Dead trees at hall, Table for board meetings.

Sarah Archer presented information on the Regional Resource Recovery Grant/AES which is looking for township and adjacent counties to combine recycling programs in order to recycle more materials. There is no monetary commitment. A resolution needs to be completed by October.

Public comment opened/closed.

Motion by Monk, supported by Girven, to approve Board, Election Commission, and Cemetery minutes of July 8, 2016; AIF; Motion carried.

Merrill commented on the excellent work by Mark Thompson for removal of the fallen tree from the storm late July. The township will seek reimbursement from their insurance company.

Motion by Merrill, supported by Monk, for Treasurer's Report to Supervisor; AIF; Motion carried.

Motion by Merrill, supported by Cross, to pay the monthly bills including two hall rental refunds @ \$50.00, one election worker pay \$83.90, and Mark Thompson \$2,000 AIF; Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Bear Lake Historical Society, Road Commission re: 2017 projects, DEQ Notice of Authorization/Permit; Michael Manning letter thanking the Township for Hopkins Forest recent road project, Fire Department run report thru 7/18/2016 with minutes January – June 2016.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Cross, supported by Merrill, to approve the following amendment to the cemetery ordinance, Section 6, to read: Markers or Memorials: All markers or memorials must be of stone or other equally durable composition. All monuments must be located upon a suitable foundation to maintain the same in an erect position. *One raised marker shall be allowed per grave space at the head of the plot. Additional markers on spaces used for multiple burials must be installed flush with the ground;* roll-call vote – ayes: Cross, Girven, Monk, Rollenhagen, Merrill; AIF; Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Monk, supported by Rollenhagen, for the removal of two dead trees at the hall, near US 31 entrance, along with stumps, plus 4 other stumps removed from township property in the amount of \$2,200 by Mark Thompson; AIF; Motion carried.

Motion by Girven, supported by Monk, to purchase a used oak “board meeting” table in the amount of \$300 plus \$40 for delivery; AIF; motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

There is some erosion occurring at the end of Myers Road at Bear Lake. Hoists are being used at this location. Discussed blocking it off without hindering the snowmobile traffic. Tabled until next month.

Merrill has completed another inspection of park equipment at Lakeside Avenue Park and everything is working properly.

Public comment opened/closed.

LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD: Next meeting is August 18 at 7 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Report given by Brenda Monk.

COUNTY: Ken Hilliard absent.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Cross, Clerk