

# Vergennes Township

## Regular Meeting of the Township Board

July 17, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Tim Wittenbach at 7:00 pm.

Roll Call - Gillet, H. Hoffman, Wittenbach, J. Hoffman, and Rasch were all present.

The agenda was approved as presented with a motion from Wittenbach, seconded by Gillett. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

The June minutes were accepted as presented with a motion from Gillett, seconded by J. Hoffman. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.** The June 26 special meeting minutes were accepted as presented with a motion from J. Hoffman, seconded by Rasch. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

The treasurer's report was read. J. Hoffman motioned that we pay the bills as listed, seconded by Gillett. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

### Citizen Comments:

None

### Public Hearing - CDBG - Fire Building Entrance Upgrade

**Public Hearing was opened at 7:11 pm.**

There were no public comments.

The public hearing was closed at 7:12 pm.

### Unfinished Business:

#### **1. CDBG - Fire Building Entrance Upgrade Resolution 2017-9**

Gillett makes a motion that we move forward with the resolution using the 2017/2018 unallocated funds totaling \$5,500 for ADA upgrades to the Fire Building Entrance, seconded by H. Hoffman. There was a roll call vote, all members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

#### **2. Bailey Cemetery- Sign & North Fence Line**

Board had discussion about the fence row maintenance. Wittenbach will research pricing for new signage for the Bailey Cemetery.

#### **3. Township Operating Millage Rate for 2017- Headlee Rollback**

J. Hoffman makes a motion that we approve the millage rate at .8534, Gillett seconded. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

### New Business:

#### **1. 165 River Pine - Request for Waiver**

Teresa Lindburg is interested in splitting her property and is requesting a private road waiver to do so. She presented information to the Board and they discussed the request. Gillett motioned to grant the waiver with the addition that their River Pine private road maintenance agreement becomes part of the legal description of two new parcels. H. Hoffman seconds. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

#### **2. Barb Roth- Red Barn Market application for Beer, Wine, and Cider sales**

Core Farms LLC doing business as Red Barn Market is seeking a SDM License with the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. This license will allow Red Barn Market to sell

packaged beer and wine for consumption off the premises. Gillett motioned to hold a Public Hearing at the August 21st regular board meeting for the beer, wine, and cider sales. H.Hoffman seconded. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

Jeanne Vandersloot the zoning administrator shared with the board that there have been a lot of changes with liquor licenses and the laws. She suggested the ordinance be looked at for possible updates and revisions.

Gillett motioned to send the liquor ordinance to the planning commission for review of state laws and revision. H. Hoffman seconded. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

**3. Township Hall Report-**

Tim Spitzley will be at the hall on August 31st at 9 am to go over the first draft of preliminary drawings. A special meeting will be held at this time.

**4. Compensation discussion- Board Representatives-**

In the June Board meeting a motion was made to follow what other local units are doing and compensate appointed local representatives who attend community board meetings. The board clarified which boards would receive compensation. H. Hoffman makes a motion we pay all appointed Board representatives who serve on Community and Joint Boards on a quarterly basis upon receiving the minutes of the meetings the members attended. Gillett seconded. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

**5. Downes Gravel Overlay**

The Board discussed the asphalt/gravel mix that Ada Township chose to put on Downes to the Vergennes Township line. J. Hoffman makes a motion to have the road commission resurface Downes with the same asphalt/gravel mix in Vergennes Township from Parnell to the Ada Township line. Seconded by Gillett. All members voted yes. **Motion carried.**

**6. Consumers Info- FYI -resolution 2017-7 and 2017-8 for removal of MV lighting and LED replacement** - motions were made at May 15th, 2017 meeting for approval-resolution contract was received and sent to consumers for work to begin.

**Citizen Comments**

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2017.