

# AMBER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

## Amber Township Hall, Regular Session

July 26, 2021 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL- Present: J. Gallie, C. Anderson, R. Alway, T. Alway, T. Rohde, Absent: None.

PLEDGE RECITED

GUESTS- Attorney Carlos Alvarado, Dan Quinn, Jimmy Newkirk.

MASON COUNTY SHERIFF REPORT-None.

MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT- Read and filed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA- Motion to approve with right of chair to alter as necessary; as amended, Move: J. Gallie/Support: R. Alway, Ayes-5

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from June 28, 2021 regular board meeting. Motion to approve: T. Alway/ Support: C. Anderson, Ayes-5

ASSESSOR REPORT-July 20, 2021 Board of review, twelve changes to tax rolls.

CORRESPONDENCE-Two letters of investigation from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission-Ludington Meat Company and Ten 31 Stop, LLC. Noted and filed.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING & ZONING-Defer to old business.

FIRE-MCRFA-None.

DPW-No meeting.

STREET LIGHTS-Johnson/Stiles out, need to report.

ROADS- First street paving job to be repaved (1") to Dennis Rd. Sealcoating some roads on the to-do list.

ELECTIONS- August 3, 2021, special election is for a millage renewal for the WSCC. Equipment tested and ready, as well as election inspectors and supplies. Mailed out 189 ballots, 123 returned. Clerk hours are this Saturday, July 31, 8am-4pm at the hall: setting up for the election, issuing AV ballots and registering voters.

HALL/GROUNDS- Purchase two new kitchen faucets, waiting for plumber to install. We had our first hall rental since COVID orders were lifted. On a wait list for the LED lights for the hall from Consumers.

CEMETERIES- Rickey: Two new exit signs being installed. East side has been cleaned of debris, need to finish west side and then will be ready for fences.

TREASURER'S REPORT-Report read and filed. Motion to approve as amended: Move: R.J. Alway/Support: T. Alway, Ayes-5

PAYMENT OF EXPENSES- Total of \$2542.10. Motion to approve: R. Alway/Support: J. Gallie, Ayes-5

SUPERVISOR REPORT-Supervisor Gallie to meet with MDOT on highway safety issues. Rode with Sheriff Cole on corridor and observed Gordon Road traffic by railroad bridge. LMTA survey of the US-10 corridor not ready until the first part of August

CLERK REPORT- Resolution for the Township Federal Procurement Conflict of Interest Policy, attached; Move-J. Gallie/Support-C. Anderson, Ayes-5.

## OLD BUSINESS-

1. ZONING UPDATE-A list of items Amber Township would like to see amended was presented at the meeting; changes to the Master Plan will be done towards late fall, early winter.
2. US 10-31/SAFETY IDEAS-More street lights needed, Lowes/Taco bell east entrance needs widening, Stiles Rd. needs flashing warning lights when lights are about to change, in both east and west bound US-10 traffic, stoplight needed at the By-pass and US-10 intersection, two stop signs at Gordon Road railroad bridge to slow down traffic.
3. ATTORNEY AGREEMENT-Motion to accept Carlos Alvarado Law, PC for legal counsel on behalf of Amber Township, paying for services on a task as needed basis: Move-J. Gallie, Support-C. Anderson, Ayes-5.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. ARPA FUNDS- Clerk Rohde submitted on 7/15/2021.
2. ROAD MILLAGE FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2021-Roll call vote by resolution to place a road millage of 1.5 mill, as per attached ballot language. Move-J. Gallie, Support-R. Alway, J. Gallie-yes, C. Anderson-yes, T. Always-yes, R. Always-yes, T. Rohde-yes, Ayes-5/Nays-0, Absent-None.
3. BROADBAND FOR MASON COUNTY-County is working on cost, funding and grants.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS-West Esther Road was abandoned by the Mason County Road Commission and needs graveling.

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ADJOURN- 8:02 p.m.

Submitted by,

Theresa Rohde, Clerk

Drafted July 27, 2021