

VERNON TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES
MEETING HELD July 6 , 2020

TOWNSHIP OF VERNON, COUNTY OF ISABELLA

LOREN COLE, CLERK

- A. The Regular Meeting of the Vernon Township Board was held on July 6, 2020 at 6:30 p.m at the Vernon Township Hall. Members present Jeff Bean (Supervisor), Loren Cole (Clerk), Stephanie Allen (Treasurer), Lee Cole (Trustee), Ben Browning (Trustee).and Julie Cole (Deputy Clerk). Members absent: None.
- B. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by J. Bean with the Pledge to the Flag.
- C. B.Browning made a motion to approve the June minutes and the agenda for this month. S. Allen seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- D. Visitors present: Kenneth Brigham (resident) and Thomas Ley (resident) were wondering the process to get their road on the schedule for work to be done on it. They live on Lincoln between Battle to Vernon. Process explained. John Stough (resident) was questioning where things were on the marijuana issue for this township. Explained recent board decision.
- E. Supervisor’s Report:
1. Roads: It appears that all gravel roadways have been brined.
 2. Township Assets:
 - a. Township Hall:
 - i. What do we want to do with the extra ½ acre that is now an open field? --Table for no
 3. Other:
 - a. Revenue sharing could be decreased by 12 % or more.
 - b. County Drain Commission planning a meeting here at the Township Hall on August 20th from 9-5.
- F. Clerk’s Report:
1. Budget: see packet.
 2. Elections: To date, 108 ballots have been sent out so far.
- G. Treasurer’s Report
1. Financial Report as of June 30, 2020.

a. General Fund Checking.....	\$ 151,975.37
b. Waste Management.....	\$ 93,306.25
c. Vernon City Highway Lighting.....	\$ 3,967.64
d. Vernon Twp Perpetual Care Savings.....	\$ 51,757.98
e. Super High Yield Acc.	\$ 77,846.74
f. Vernon Roadway Fund.....	\$ 99,558.50

 2. Funds Received for the month of June 2020.

a. State of MI--Revenue sharing.....	\$ 17,193.00
b. Chemical Bank ..Interest	\$ 3.30
c. Vernon Tax Acct.....	\$ 560.66

 3. Review and Pay Bills: Bills to be paid for June total \$36,496.12. S. Allen made the motion to pay said bills. Lee Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed.

H. Trustees' Reports

1. B. Browning: Reported that the INEFD applied for a grant and received it and purchased a new fire truck. Also reported that everything is good with the cemetery wells.
2. Lee Cole: Reported he received a bid for the sign and it was \$15,500 (labor, sign etc.).

I. Old Business:

1. Review of Cemetery Ordinance. B. Browning made the motion to Continue to table. Lee Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed.

J. New Business:

1. Consideration of the Appointment of an Auditing Firm to conduct the Bi-Annual audit of the Township Financials. Bids were received from Weinlander Fitzhugh for \$4,000; Baird, Cotter and Bishop for \$4500 and another company said they were too booked up presently to send a bid. S. Allen made the motion to hire Weinlander Fitzhugh for \$4000. Lee Cole Seconded the motion. Motion passed.
2. Consideration of an increase in pay for Cemetery mowing for the Cemetery Caretaker. Motion by B. Browning to increase the per mowing pay to \$300.00. Motion seconded by Lee Cole. Motion passed.

K. Adjournment: S. Allen made a motion to adjourn. Lee Cole seconded the motion. Motion passed. This meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. on July 6, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted:
Julie Cole, Deputy Clerk

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