

RAISIN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
3266 GADY RD.
ADRIAN, MI 49221
APRIL 22, 2019 at 6:30 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Supervisor Dale Witt.

2. **WELCOME, PLEDGE, INVOCATION:** Pledge and moment of silence.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

Members Present: Russ Mead, Debra Brousseau, Tom Hawkins, Marge McDermott, and Dale Witt

Members Absent: Kami Johnson, Jim Palmer

Others Present: Attorney David Lacasse

4. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

4.1 Pre-Audit Report – McDermott (Assistance from Jackie Schultz)

The Clerk reported that the 2018 pre-audit work went well and that 30 hours of assistance from Jackie Schultz were used. Jackie Schultz read from a prepared statement of her findings during her period of assistance to the Clerk. Many issues were found with the journal entries while working on the bank reconciliations.

Vacant Property – Reported habitation issues for the Sutton Road property is currently being handled by the Lenawee County Health Department.

Water Franchise – The City of Adrian did not pass the Resolution to provide water to properties along M52 that were in the immediate proximity of the water line. (vote - 5 no to 2 yes)

Dump Day – First Dump Day (April 6th) of the 2019 season had 208 vehicles participate in the event.

Park Improvements – TALL will be placing limestone in the batting cage at the park to make maintenance of this area easier.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Public comments were shared by Norm Nash.

6. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

Police Report – No Board action required on the hiring of Jacey Lambka. Hiring approved at a special meeting on April 15th.

Fire Report – Chief Hannah is requesting the approval to promote Rick Byrd to the position of Captain.

APPROVAL PAYMENT OF BILLS - APRIL

Accounts Payable: \$24,631.80

Payroll: \$55,193.09

Total Payables & Payroll: \$79,824.89

Motion Hawkins, support Brousseau to approve consent agenda as presented. M/C all.

7. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion Brousseau, support Mead to approve the agenda as written. M/C all.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

8.1 SAD Program Renewal, and Subdivision Roads

Discussions regarding the renewal of the SAD road funding program. The current program collected the 5th year of assessments in the 2018 tax period. When the Township first started the SAD program, the County was not getting enough money from the State to repair the roads. Recently, the County will receive an increase in money coming from the State for roads. Further discussions are necessary on how much funding the County is getting, and how much the Township would need to contribute in order to address repairs to the subdivisions, gravel roads, and other road maintenance issues. A future public presentation will take place on the SAD program. No further Board action at this time.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

9.1 Township Sirens – Operation

Presentation by Fire Chief Jim Hannah on the current operating status of the Township's three (3) sirens. Currently the sirens are not working and an evaluation by P&R Communications Service indicate that possibly a battery problem is the reason. Battery replacement quoted at a little more than \$3,500 by P&R. Discussion on having an on-going maintenance program to keep the sirens operational. By consensus, the Board agreed to maintaining the sirens in an operational status for the township.

9.2 2019 TALL/Soccer Contracts

Witt presented for approval the 2019 season contracts with the Tecumseh Area Little League (TALL) and the FCA Soccer organizations. Recommended to change the date in the soccer contract to correspond to the opening date of April 1st for the park. Rental rates will not increase for the 2019 season. Discussion regarding the Park Committee having talks with TALL and soccer groups about assisting with fund raising activities for upgrades for the park.

Motion Hawkins, support Mead to approve the 2019 TALL contract and FCA Soccer contract with date revision. M/C all.

10. UPCOMING EVENTS:

Kite Day is 4-28-2019 from 2 – 4 p.m. at the RCC. The Spotted Cow and Twin Pines gave 3 gift certificates each to Ken Kendall. Thank you to both businesses.

11. ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion Brousseau, support Hawkins to adjourn meeting. M/C all.
Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Dale Witt, Supervisor

Marge McDermott, Clerk