

BOWNE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Bowne Township Board of Trustees was held on Monday, September 16, 2019 in the Historic Township Hall located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue SE., Alto, MI 49302. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Wilcox.

MEMBERS PRESENT: RANDY WILCOX – SUPERVISOR
SANDRA L. KOWALCZYK – CLERK
TAMMI WINGEIER – TREASURER
ROBERT FLYNN – TRUSTEE
DAVID FUSS – TRUSTEE

OTHERS PRESENT: RICK VRIESENKA – FIRE CHIEF
TOM BENEDICT – DEPUTY SUPERVISOR
JOSH MANNARD – INFRASTRUCTURE ALTERNATIVE

MINUTES:

Motion by Trustee Flynn that the minutes of the August meeting be approved as presented, supported by Treasurer Wingeier. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: GENERAL FUND CASH	\$304,148.44
GENERAL FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$ 49,353.23
GENERAL FUND MONEY MARKET	\$132,344.83
FIRE FUND CASH	\$100,994.33
FIRE FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$186,190.62
FIRE BUILDING FUND	\$ 39,080.10
FIRE EQUIPMENT FUND	\$204,901.97
SEWER FUND CASH	\$258,913.23
SEWER FUND TIME CERTIFICATES	\$ 73,924.32
CURRENT TAX ACCOUNT CASH	\$176,094.91

Motion by Trustee Fuss that the treasurer’s report be approved as printed, supported by Trustee Flynn. Motion carried.

MONTHLY BILLS DUE & PAYABLE FOR SEPTEMBER 2019:

Motion by Trustee Flynn that the monthly bills be allowed and paid, supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND CHECKS #11843-
FIRE FUND CHECKS #6830-
SEWER FUND CHECKS #2670-
TAX ACCOUNT CHECKS #4451

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Chief Vriesenga reported 32 runs for August and provided a breakdown of the Incidents & Locations, Response time/minutes and Outcome. Current training was also listed.

PROFESSIONAL CODE INSPECTIONS OF MI REPORT: 6 permits issued – Construction Value \$694,000.00.
Terry Celori=8280 Alto Way Drive SE-Shed, Tom Windsor-10350 Spring Valley Drive-Residence Remodel, Josh Randall-9560 Bergy Avenue SE-Addition to residence, Katie Kant – 6565 Morse Lake Avenue SE – Addition to Residence, ROMIG Custom Homes-6280 Timpson Avenue SE., - New Residence, Julia Bowens, 12348 64th Street-Pre MFG. State.

MINUTES: DDA, HISTORICAL COMMISSION, PLANNING COMMISSION (Received & filed)

SEWER REPORT:

Operator Mannard reported that EGLE (formerly MDEQ) did an onsite inspection review of all operations records. We will be receiving a detailed letter from them of any changes they would like to see. A request to address the duckweed in Pond #4 which is always a problem he has looked into the cost to have this cleaned out and it would run around \$2530. Plus his report listed all corrective actions and the significant tasks completed. Air release valves get stuck intermittently in the vent position allowing water to flow through the solenoids vent tubing he recommends replacing the parts inside the air release valves for \$521.50. Motion by Trustee Fuss to replace two air release valves which will cost \$121.50 and spare solenoids for the filter system at \$450.00, supported by Trustee Flynn. Motion carried.

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS #19-01:

Motion by Trustee Flynn that the following ordinance to add a definition of farm building; to amend the requirements for accessory structures and uses; to amend the schedule of regulations; to amend the language for width to depth exceptions; and to amend the language for certain special land uses as recommended to the Township Board by the Planning Commission following a public hearing held on September 5, 2019, supported by Trustee Fuss. AYES: Fuss, Flynn, Wilcox, Kowalczyk, Wingeier. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED & CERTIFIED BY THE TOWNSHIP CLERK.

CORRESPONDENCE: Rep. Thomas Albert's "Coffee Break News"

ALTO BRANCH LIBRARY REPORT:

Librarian Graham's flyer indicated the successful summer at the Library with large attendance for the summer reading goal completers actually winning the percentage contest of getting the largest increase of completers over last year and are rewarded a "cruise" on the Grand Lady Sept. 29th. On Saturday September 21st the friends of the library will be having their used book sale between 9:00 a.m. and 1:30p.m. during the Alto Harvest Festival and at 2:00 "Baking Bingo" with prizes of home-baked goods.

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BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Treasurer Wingeier wondered if it would be possible to have a document "Shredding Day" for the whole community and to see if the DDA would be interested in participating. Trustee Fuss added that maybe household waste could also be considered.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Treasurer Wingeier that the meeting be adjourned at 7:21 p.m. supported by Trustee Flynn.
Motion carried.

Sandra L. Kowalczyk
Bowne Township Clerk