

Minutes of Mikado Township Board Meeting
April 12, 2021

Supervisor Michael Corn called the Mikado Township Board Meeting to Order at 7:05pm. He welcomed the nine (9) guests that were present and joined in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call showed Supervisor Corn, Clerk McDonald, Treasurer Travis, Trustee Mullins, and Trustee Nedo was present. No one was absent.

Motion by Mullins/Corn to amend the Agenda to include discussion of a proposed ordinance (under "Civic Center/Twp Property Issues), and also to discuss the Facebook page and Website (under "Communications"). Roll call: Nedo yes, McDonald- yes, Corn- yes, Travis- yes, Mullins- yes. Motion carried.

Public Comment opened at 7:07pm and closed at 7:13 pm. Resident Carrie Mullins made comments. Resident Dave Adams was introduced and made comments.

Motion by Mullins/Corn to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2021 as presented. Roll call: McDonald- yes, Mullins- yes, Travis- yes, Corn- yes, Nedo- yes. Motion carried.

The Financial Report for March 2021 was given by Treasurer Travis as follows: The General Fund balance brought forward was \$89,823.98, with receipts of \$39,488.71, less disbursements of \$13121.81, leaves a balance in the General Fund of \$116,190.88 plus CD's of \$20,000.00 (\$10,000.00 being Stabilization CD) leaves an overall balance in the General Fund of \$136,190.88. The Road MIF balance brought forward was \$102,521.42, with receipts of \$53,874.45, less disbursements of \$0.00, leaves a balance in the Road MIF of \$plus CD's of \$20,000.00 leaves an overall balance in the Road MIF of \$156,395.87. The Fire MIF balance brought forward was \$50,025.47 with receipts of \$26,940.08, leaves a balance in the Fire MIF of \$76,965.55, plus a CD in the amount of \$10,000.00, leaving an overall balance in the Fire Fund of \$86,965.55. Motion by Nedo/Mullins to accept the Financial Report of February 2021 as presented. Roll call: Nedo- yes, Travis- yes, Mullins- yes, Corn- yes, McDonald- yes. Motion carried.

No Amendment to the Budget was necessary.

Motion by Mullins/Travis to approve the Bills in the amount of \$9,157.12, and additional bills received after the meeting. Roll call: Mullins- yes, Nedo- yes, Travis- yes, McDonald- yes, Corn- yes. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

County Commissioner Carolyn Brummond was present and gave report from the County level. The "by appointment only" option for the county building will continue through May 7, 2021. Positions within the Housinc Commission are open. It may take an estimated six weeks to complete installation for the new phone system. A first quarter report 2021 from the Register of Deeds was provided. As a result of census efforts, the apportionment commission is in the process of formation. The bi-annual county cleanup will be May 15, 2021, from 8:00am-2:00pm at the ARA site.

Carrie Mullins was present and gave report on the Planning Commission. Next meeting is June 9, 2021 at 6pm.

Roads & Bridges: Supervisor Corn introduced Jesse Campbell from Alcona Co. Road Commission. Mr. Campbell provided and advised on 2021 Improvement Agreements and how they are budgeted and prioritized. Mr. Campbell said that the agreements not performed this year would be put on the Road Commission's illustrative list for next year. Using the baseball fields behind Mikado Twp. Cemetery for materials storage was also discussed. The ACRC will improve the road, cut back brush, and store gravel and ditch diggings. Motion by Corn/McDonald to approve the Alcona Co. Road Commission to make improvements and store materials. Roll call: Nedo- yes; McDonald- yes; Travis- yes, Mullins- yes, Corn- yes. Motion carried.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Regina Waskiewicz was present and gave report for March. Total calls were eight (8); Mikado Twp. five (5) fires and nine (9) medical; three (3) fires and four (4) medical for Gustin Twp. There were two Mutual Aids, (1 Curran, 1 Lincoln) SCBA's have been ordered. A \$1000 donation was made from the Frank Fehsenfeld Family Foundation.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: No signed complaints have been submitted. Two zoning permits were bought.

Civic Center/Township Property Issues: Supervisor Corn advised that the state of Michigan is still setting the guidelines for gatherings and meetings and that the board meetings will follow what the Governor allows. The budget allocation for caring for the Civic Center for public use was discussed. Mullins/Nedo motion to approve Supervisor Corn as appointed for the person to provide care for the Civic Center for rentals and use. Roll Call: Travis- yes; Mullins-yes; Henry- yes; Corn-yes; Nedo- yes. Motion Carried.

Mullins advised that Iosco County has adopted an ordinance that allows the local police department to enforce the resolution of that county as a Constitutional 2nd Amendment Sanctuary. Mullins proposed the same ordinance for Mikado Township and provided copies of the Ordinance for board members to review for vote for the next board meeting. Mullins/McDonald motion to approve forwarding the Ordinance to Keith Moir, the Township attorney, for review. Roll Call: McDonald- yes; Nedo- yes; Mullins-yes; Corn- yes; Travis- yes. Motion carried.

UPDATES:

Clerk McDonald is settling into her job as Clerk and will work on Cryptkeeper and Quickbooks payroll in the coming months.

Gustin Fire protection Agreement received and paid for.

Hall rentals: one each for August, October, and November.

Supervisor Corn advised that the credit card application was completed and is soon to be dropped off at the bank.

PENDING BUSINESS:

Both Supervisor Corn and Treasurer Travis signed documents needed for Township credit card; still waiting to receive card from bank.

Clerk McDonald has broadband internet use at her home and asked for a reimbursement to use it for Township needs. Clerk McDonald suggested also to forward the puck and dongle on to Treasurer Travis for her Township use. Mullins/Corn motion to approve \$25/month to Clerk McDonald for

Internet reimbursement, and to forward the puck and dongle to Treasurer Travis for use. Roll call: Mullins-yes, Nedo- yes, Corn- yes, McDonald- yes, Travis- yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jesse Campbell discussed previously in the hour about ACRC improvements to the ballfield area behind the cemetery for materials storage. (See Roads & Bridges.)

Supervisor Corn made comments regarding possible uses for the Par Plan Risk Reduction grant; Clerk McDonald passed out a packet of information for the board to review.

No new fire department needs were discussed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Trustee Mullins gave comments regarding the Township Facebook page and its development. Mullins advised that there were positive comments from the community users and discussed using the page as a platform to poll for ideas. This led to further discussion regarding different ideas to use the community space around the Civic Center grounds. Comments were made about the possibilities of developing the walking track around the ballfield, a community garden, a dog park, an exercise park, and/or a space for a farmer's market.

ADJOURNMENT:

Nedo/Mullins moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm. Roll Call: Travis- yes; McDonald- yes; Corn- yes; Nedo- yes; Mullins- yes. Motion Carried.

Orders 21039-21067 were presented and paid.

Receipts 5248-5249, 5001-5005

Michael Corn, Supervisor

Mandi McDonald, Clerk

Motion to Accept by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Date: _____