

Minutes of Mikado Township Board Meeting
August 9, 2021

Supervisor Michael Corn called the Mikado Township Board Meeting to Order at 7:00pm. He welcomed the three (3) 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 were present. No one was absent.

Approval/Adjustments to the Agenda: No adjustments made. Motion by Travis/Nedo to approve the agenda. Roll call: Travis-yes; McDonald- yes; Corn- yes; Nedo- yes; Mullins-yes. Motion carried.

Public Comment opened at 7:03pm and closed at 7:14pm. Resident Kay Lovelace asked questions regarding shooting ranges within the township. Trustee Carrie Mullins made comments regarding the Alcona Co. Republican Party. Their next meeting is Aug. 8, 2021, 7pm.

Motion by Mullins/McDonald to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2021 as presented. Roll call: Travis- yes, Corn- yes; Nedo- yes; McDonald- yes; Mullins- yes. Motion carried.

The Financial Report for July 2021 was given by Treasurer Travis as follows: The General Fund balance brought forward was \$122,871.42, with receipts of \$73,849.98, less disbursements of \$67,271.79, leaves a balance in the General Fund of \$129,449.61 plus CD's of \$20,000.00 (\$10,000.00 being Stabilization CD) leaves an overall balance in the General Fund of \$149,449.61. The Road MIF balance brought forward was \$168,629.61, with receipts of \$36.54, less disbursements of \$57,418.04, leaves a balance in the Road MIF of \$111,248.11 plus CD's of \$20,000.00 leaves an overall balance in the Road MIF of \$131,248.11. The Fire MIF balance brought forward was \$34,741.95, with receipts of \$16.79, leaves a balance in the Fire MIF of \$34,758.74, with disbursements of \$0.00, leaves a balance of \$34,758.74, plus a CD in the amount of \$10,000.00, leaving an overall balance in the Fire Fund of \$44,758.74. Motion by Nedo/Mullins to accept the Financial Report of July 2021 as presented. Roll call: Nedo- yes; Mullins- yes; Travis- yes; Corn- yes; McDonald- yes. Motion carried.

Clerk McDonald proposed Budget Amendment #2021-2022.02 to assign \$8080.00 from the General Fund Contingency to the Fire Department Grant Expense to cover the DNR Grant radios purchased for the Fire Department. Motion by Corn/Travis to accept proposed Budget Amendment #2021-2022.02. Roll call: McDonald- yes; Mullins-yes; Nedo- yes; Travis-yes; Corn- yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Corn/Mullins to approve the Bills. Roll call: McDonald- yes, Nedo- yes, Mullins- yes; Corn- yes, Travis- yes. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

County Commissioner Carolyn Brummond was absent; no report from the County level was provided.

Assessor: Nancy Schwickert was absent, no report of the Board of Review meeting was given.

Planning Commission: Carrie Mullins was present and made comments regarding Redevelopment Readiness training and the potential benefits to developing the community.

Roads & Bridges: Supervisor Corn commented that Andrews, Loyer, and London Roads could use

more gravel. The board discussed having Supervisor Corn talk to Jesse Campbell of the Alcona County Road Commission to determine how to address maintenance for these roads.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Regina Waskiewicz was present and gave report for July. Total calls were eleven (11); Mikado Twp. one (1) fire and seven (7) medical; zero (0) fires and two (2) medical for Gustin Twp. Zero mutual aid, Personal Injury Accidents (0 Greenbush, 0 Oscoda) were also reported. Updates: DNR grant handheld radios invoice received. Mobile radios invoice from Pastech (Steve Booth) received. Fire Chief Waskiewicz provided a quote (\$3790.00) from Grand Traverse Radio to make the donated 800MHz radios useable and programmed. She asked the board for permission to move forward with this purchase. Mullins/McDonald motion to allow Chief Waskiewicz to purchase the programming for the donated radios. Roll call: Travis- yes; Nedo- yes; McDonald- yes; Corn-yes; Mullins-yes. Motion Carried.

Chief Waskiewicz also commented that the Fire Assn meeting was held 7/21. Had presentations from 2 companies about 800 MHz pagers and radio's. Jeff Brackett (Central Dispatch) is urging townships to ask that ARPA funds be used to upgrade to 800 communication as the county's equipment for our current high band communication is old and will need costly repairs to continue using. The VHF system is being phased out across the state for emergency use due to its unreliability and limitations in comparison to 800MHz.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: Officer Waskiewicz gave updates on cases still open from last month.

Civic Center/Township Property Issues: Supervisor Corn advised updates would be given later as described in this meeting's agenda.

UPDATES:

- A. Clerk McDonald asked to table the Quickbooks payroll software until the next meeting.
- B. Hall rentals: A rental was made for 8/21/21 and also for 9/18/21.

PENDING BUSINESS:

- A. Township Credit Card: Treasurer Travis advised that the credit card arrived.
- B. Proposed hunting ordinance: Clerk McDonald presented Ordinance 21.01, the proposed prohibition of hunting on township-owned property ordinance. The Board agreed on an effective date of September 18, 2021 (30 days past the publication date of August 18, 2021). A summary of the ordinance is to be sent to the Alcona Co. Review for publication with the advisement to view the entire Ordinance at the mikadotownship.org website. Mullins/Corn motion to approve Ordinance 21.01, the proposed prohibition of hunting on township-owned property ordinance. Roll Call: Corn-yes; Travis-yes; Mullins-yes; Nedo-yes; McDonald- yes. Motion carried.
- C. Township Maintenance Brainstorming- Discussion of use of firefighters for emergency tree removal for a minimum wage hourly rate. A budget amendment would be made from General Fund Contingency to a new cost center for Township Maintenance to cover this expense. Motion by Corn/Mullins for emergency Township Maintenance to be performed by firefighters at Supervisor Corn's discretion at an hourly rate of the state's current minimum wage. Roll Call: McDonald- yes; Corn-yes; Nedo-yes; Mullins-yes; Travis-yes. Motion carried.

Corn/Mullins motion for a Budget Amendment 2021-2022.03 to move \$3000.00 from the General Fund Contingency to create a new cost center of Township Maintenance. Roll Call: Travis- yes; Nedo-

yes; Corn-yes; Mullins-yes; McDonald- yes. Motion Carried.

A Township cleanup day date will be tabled until discussion this winter for a possible spring date.

D. ARPA Funds Application Update- Clerk McDonald advised that the ELITE system posted the application for Mikado status as "Received". Per MTA guidance, Clerk McDonald asked for adoption of the Federal Procurement Conflict of Interest Policy. McDonald/Mullins motion to accept the Mikado Township Federal Procurement Conflict of Interest Policy. Roll Call: Corn-yes; McDonald-yes; Nedo-yes; Mullins-yes; Travis-yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Problems with hall cleanliness after events was discussed. McDonald/Mullins motion to remove the six (6) hour hall rental and the small room rental from available rental agreements. Roll Call: McDonald- yes; Mullins-yes; Nedo-yes; Corn-yes; Travis-yes. Motion carried.

The Tractor Club may use the Mikado Township Hall once a month for their meeting, for \$35.00/meeting.

B. The Ostby security deposit shall be returned. A, "No Parking" sign shall be placed by the soft area by the bleachers.

C. Mullins/McDonald motion to approve the Mikado Goodfellows Charitable Gaming License Resolution so they may have their event. Roll Call: Nedo-yes; Mullins-yes; McDonald- yes; Travis-yes; Corn-yes. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Trustee Mullins made comments regarding updating the website and also she would still like to experiment with Facebook advertising because of its low expense.

ADJOURNMENT:

Nedo/Travis moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43pm. Roll Call: Travis- yes; Nedo- yes; McDonald-yes; Corn- yes; Mullins- yes. Motion Carried.

Orders 21152-21181 were presented and paid. Receipts 0004-0014

Michael Corn, Supervisor

Mandi McDonald, Clerk

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