

# AMBER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

## Amber Township Hall, Regular Session

April 26, 2021 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL- Present: J. Gallie, C. Anderson, T. Rohde, R. Alway, T. Alway, Absent: NONE

PLEDGE RECITED

GUESTS- Attorney Carlos Alvarado, Dan Quinn, Norm Critchett, Bill Lehrbass-MCRFA, Dr. Squires.

MASON COUNTY SHERIFF REPORT-None.

MASON CO. COMM. REPORT-Dr. Squires reported on Mason County's income/expenses, doing well. Chuck Lange has been appointed the new Mason County Planning Commission Chair person. New Equalization report is broken down into more categories.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA- Motion to approve with right of chair to alter as necessary, Move: J. Gallie/Support: R. Alway, Ayes-5

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from March 29, 2021, as amended. Motion to approve: J. Gallie/Support: R. Alway, Ayes-5

ASSESSOR REPORT-Received one poverty applicant for the July board of review. Letter read and filed.

CORRESPONDENCE-Read and filed.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING & ZONING-Next Mason County Zoning meeting is May 4, 2021, 7 p.m. at the airport. City of Scottville has appointed a new city manager; T. Alway will reach out to him.

FIRE-MCRFA working on ballot language for a millage for the November Election, they are having a special meeting in May.

DPW-nothing to report

STREET LIGHTS-Good.

ROADS- First street paving job, still waiting for the inspection report from MCRC. Mason County Sheriff's department picked up the speed trailer for Meyer road, due to the PM road overpass closure. Looking into paving of north Meyer road to airport at a 1" rebuild and splitting cost with PM township.

ELECTIONS- Special election, May 4, 2021, millage renewal for the West Shore ESD, 210 ballots have been mailed; 145 returned as of today. Friday, April 29-election set-up, Saturday, May 1-Clerk hours at the hall 8a.m.to 4 p.m. ordered and received enough absentee voter supplies for 500 voters for the August special election.

HALL/GROUNDS- Hall carpet to was cleaned April 6, tile cleaning is scheduled for April 28. Clerk Rohde has painted front door and planters, stained columns and threshold. Consumers Power is offering a "deal" for business customers to replace fluorescent bulbs with LED, deadline is May 15, will check into.

CEMETERIES-Supervisor Gallie is working on the plot planning, organizing of cemetery records and met with the Sexton to check occupied and unoccupied spaces. Branches and leaves need to be cleaned up at both. Rickey needs gravel on the road and also one-way/exit signs. Clerk Rohde researched cleaning of the gravestones and "no public dollars may be used for restoration efforts that are only to improve aesthetics". The State of Michigan has detailed guide on Cemetery preservation.

SUPERVISOR REPORT-Need to get estimates on providing sewer and water for the East side of North Meyer road for development.

CLERK-Approval of Budget meeting minutes from March 29, 2021, Move-J. Gallie/Support-T. Alway, Ayes-5

TREASURER-Report read. Motion to approve as amended: Move: J. Gallie/Support: T. Alway, Ayes-5

PAYMENT OF EXPENSES- Total of \$7555.40. Motion to approve: T. Alway/Support: R. Alway, Ayes-5

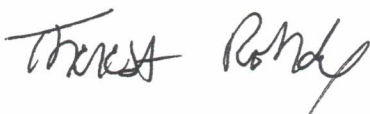
OLD BUSINESS- American Rescue Act Plan of 2021, signed up for a DUNS number and an account at Sam.gov. Now need to establish a five-year plan ASAP.

NEW BUSINESS-Amber Township road millage, need to figure out ballot language and millage amount.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS-Public comment-Dan Quinn inquired on planning commission progress. Supervisor Gallie had one meeting with the new Mason County Zoning Administrator and will do one more.

ADJOURN- 8:17 p.m.

Submitted by,



Theresa Rohde, Clerk

Drafted April 29, 2021