

BEDFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES  
8100JACKMAN ROAD, TEMPERANCE, MI 48182  
July 3, 2018-7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:	TC Clements, Trustee
Paul Pirrone, Supervisor	LaMar Frederick, Trustee
Trudy Hershberger, Clerk	Rick Steiner, Trustee
Paul Francis, Treasurer	Nancy Tienvieri, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Adam Massingill, Bedford Fire Chief and Alan Matlow, Lead Assessor

The Regular Meeting of the Bedford Township Board was called to order by Pirrone at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer led by Pastor Robyn Kistemaker, St. Luke's Lutheran Church.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Motion was made by Steiner, seconded by Tienvieri to approve the amended agenda with a correction to 8C, which should read Dennis Jenkins, not Mannik and Smith. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Steiner, Tienvieri, Francis, Clements, Frederick, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda contained the following items for approval:

- Approval of the June 19, 2018 Township Board Minutes;
- Approval to Appoint Dianne Bernath to the Grant & Loan Committee for a 1<sup>st</sup> term ending 12/21/2019;
- Acceptance of Fire Marshal Ron Whipple's Letter of Retirement, effective June 29, 2018.

Motion was made by Hershberger, seconded by Clements to approve the consent agenda as published. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Hershberger, Clements, Frederick, Steiner, Francis, Tienvieri & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None

**PRESENTATIONS**

UPDATE ON BEECHER-SAMARIA TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT- Adel Pascaris, ITC, a Fortis Company, spoke on the 22-mile electric grid rebuild, 5 miles of which will be in Temperance. Construction will begin October 2018 and finish in 2019. Residents who will be affected have already been notified.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Gail Keane, 1056 W. Temperance- spoke to the issue of the Economic Development Committee and ITC's work in the community.

**STAFF REPORTS**

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT REPORT- Alan Matlow, Lead Assessor spoke to the current state, county and local upcoming changes with state legislature, STC recommendations, cost manual updates, land divisions, and GIS mapping.

OFFER FOR BRUSH TRUCK- Chief Massingill spoke about the 1996 truck that is listed at \$20,000 and has received no offers. Broker has suggested that the bid be lowered. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Steiner, seconded by Clements to authorize Chief Massingill to look at offers for the 1996 Brush Truck in the range of \$15,000.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Steiner, Clements, Francis, Tienvieri, Frederick, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE MANNIK SMITH GROUP PROPOSAL TO PERFORM GIS SERVICES FOR THE FIRE STATION DRIVE TIME PROJECT – Massingill would like to develop a mapping to detail reasonable drive time assumptions for the three fire stations based on current traffic conditions. This would be used for part of the upcoming strategic planning for the fire department. Motion was made by Clements, seconded by Francis to approve and accept the proposal

from Mannik Smith Group to perform the GIS Services for the Fire Station Drive Time Project, not to exceed a total sum payment of \$900.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Clements, Francis, Frederick, Steiner, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: Tienvieri. Excused: None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO RETRO-FIT THE INTERIOR LIGHTS OF THE GOVERNMENT CENTER WITH LED LIGHTS- Roger Kirkpatrick, Voss Lighting, presented the updated summary sheets for the interior lights of the Government Center. Motion was made by Tienvieri, seconded by Steiner to approve the contract with Voss Lighting to furnish and install 431-Philips direct wire LED 4-foot tubes, 45-Lunera 2- pin plug-in LED bulbs and 3-Contech LED fixtures, for a total of \$8,281.11, with VOSS Lighting pursuing the rebate. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Tienvieri, Steiner, Clements, Frederick, Francis, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO RETRO-FIT THE PARKING LOT OF THE GOVERNMENT CENTER WITH LED LIGHTS- Roger Kirkpatrick, Voss Lighting, presented the updated summary sheets for the parking lot lights of the Government Center. Motion was made by Francis, seconded by Frederick to accept the bid from Voss Lighting for the replacement of the parking lot lights to change them to LED fixtures for a net total, after the rebate of \$11,529.19, with Voss Lighting pursuing the rebate. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Francis, Frederick, Tienvieri, Steiner, Clements, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO FORM AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE- Tim Lake from the Monroe Economic Development Committee fielded questions from the board about the development of an Economic Development Committee. Motion was made by Clements, seconded by Steiner to approve Supervisor Pirrone, in conjunction with Tim Lake via his role with Monroe County Economic Development and his contract with Bedford and the ad hoc committee, establish an Economic Development Committee to bring back to the board for final approval to move forward with the economic development of the community. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Clements, Steiner, Tienvieri, Frederick, Francis, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING INVOICES- Motion was made by Hershberger, seconded by Francis to approve the following vouchers for payment: General Fund-\$15,766.37, Fire District-\$12,352.30, Police Fund-\$678.71, Park Fund-\$27,877.41, Transit System Fund-\$23,953.00, Library Operating Fund-\$1,538.16, Water Revenue Fund-\$5,640.00, Springbrook Debt Fund-\$3,965.66, Mildred Drive SAD-\$2,610.63, Downtown Development Authority-\$24,429.36, Sewer Operation & Main. Fund-\$375.83, Trust and Agency Fund-\$32,003.62 for a total of \$151,191.05. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Hershberger, Francis, Tienvieri, Steiner, Clements, Frederick & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None

REQUEST FOR APPLE CREEK ESTATES PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT CONCEPTUAL/PRELIMINARY APPROVAL ON PORTION OF PARCEL NUMBER 5802-033-049-00, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 6695 JACKMAN ROAD- Motion was made by Frederick, seconded by Steiner to grant approval of the request of White Diamond Development for a Preliminary Planned Unit Development Plan for a 20-Unit condominium project on parcel No. 58-02-033-049-00, at 6695 Jackman Road, contingent upon obtaining all necessary and required approvals of the reviewing agencies, including those issues identified in the Monroe County Drain Commission letter of 5/7/18; the Monroe County Road Commission letter of 5/15/18; Mannik and Smith Group letter of 5/14/18; the Bedford Township Fire Department letter of 5/2/18; granting a variance of the required depth to width ratio for Lots number 11 through 18; granting waiver of the 100 foot perimeter setback as the developer has provided a 65 foot setback; and, prior to any final PUD plan consideration the developer shall: submit

for approval by the Township counsel any and all necessary PUD and condominium documents; enter into a special assessment district for streetlighting between the Township and the developer; submit all color schemes, building materials and building renderings for approval; assure the PUD plan shall be in compliance with requirements of MDEQ respecting wet lands on the parcel; submit landscaping and buffering plans for approval; and, establish a condominium association for the project. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Frederick, Steiner, Clements, Francis, Tienvieri, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ACCEPT DENNIS JENKINS' PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE ARCGIS TRAINING ASSISTANCE- Hershberger explained that the proposal by Dennis Jenkins would be to continue the ArcGIS training of Jodi Rector. Motion was made by Hershberger, seconded by Tienvieri to approve Dennis Jenkins to work with Jodi Rector on the base map and training her on the GIS at the hourly rate of \$50 per hour, not to exceed \$900. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Hershberger, Tienvieri, Francis, Frederick, Clements, Steiner & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO REDUCE THE MINIMUM BID ON THE 2000 FORD RANGER- Pirrone sought to decline the bid of \$700 on the 2000 Ford Ranger based on the cost involved to remove the stickers on the truck. Motion was made by Steiner, seconded by Clements to reduce the minimum bid on the 2000 Ford Ranger to \$1500. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Steiner, Clements, Tien, Francis, Frederick, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL FOR A DECISION REGARDING THE BID RECEIVED FOR THE 2000 FORD RANGER- Motion was made by Tienvieri, seconded by Steiner to refuse the bid from Michael Entry of \$700 on the 2000 Ford Ranger. Motion carried on a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Tienvieri, Steiner, Clements, Frederick, Francis, Hershberger & Pirrone. Nays: None. Excused: None.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Logan Tisdale, 1308 Brandywine- spoke to remembering the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and behaving responsibly.

Paula Felmen-7120 Jackman Road- spoke on wetlands and flood and storm control pertaining to 6695 Jackman Road.

Gail Keane-1056 W. Temperance- spoke to the repairs of Bedford Twp. Fire Station 1, the Assessing and Planning departments, requested that township meetings be posted to the township website, and the Lewis Ave./Temperance intersection.

#### **REPORT FROM TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS**

Clements-encouraged that a brief overview of the EDC and its objectives and goals be clearly outlined. Wished everyone a happy 4<sup>th</sup> and to be careful on the roadways and with fireworks and to be mindful of neighbors and veterans with PTSD.

Frederick-commented on the last salute that is performed for deceased veterans and asked that everyone take a moment to look at the flag and salute it on the 4<sup>th</sup> and remember those veterans who are serving today for our freedom.

Tienvieri- thanked Logan Tisdale for his comments, recognized and thanked Ron Whipple for his 45 years of service and sacrifice on the Bedford Fire Department, and thanked our founding fathers for the Constitution and the freedoms that it gives us.

Steiner- agreed with fellow board members on the meaning of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, asked residents to be prepared and careful with fireworks, praised the Fire Department, and wished everyone a happy Independence Day.

Francis- agreed with the fellow board members and Logan Tisdale, informed everyone that tax bills were mailed out, and asked everyone to set aside their political differences and help us celebrate the nation.

Hershberger-informed everyone that the last day to register to vote for the Primary election is Monday July 9<sup>th</sup>, and that if residents have not received their absentee ballots and would like one they can do so

by coming into the clerk's office, reminded voters that in the primary election you can only vote for one party and if a voter believes they crossed parties they can come in and be issued a new ballot, if they do not only the proposals voted upon will count, and finally that mosquito pellets are still available for residents, wished everyone a happy 4<sup>th</sup>.

Pirrone- appreciated Tisdale's comments, spoke about meeting with the Michigan State Housing Development Authority and looking at housing programs for the area, mentioned that the Bedford Bike Cruise was a success and spoke to the need for more similar events for the Township such as the Farmer's Market, thanked Ron Whipple for his service and wished him a good retirement, praised the Park Board for the firework display, commented on the flags around the Township, spoke about the first round-about meeting and that they will be speaking with Mannik & Smith about the estimated costs, and read an email sent to the members of Temperance Action Committee asking for them to partner with the TAP grant project, along with any other Temperance business owners.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Trudy L. Hershberger  
Bedford Township Clerk

Angie Dec  
Recording Secretary