

Middle Branch Township Regular Board Meeting
Monday September 9, 2019 7:00 pm

Patrick opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: Peggy, Patty, Sarah, Ron and Patrick. Guests: Dick & Sherry Krchmar, Bob Hoard, Lisa Johnson, Janet Wilson and Dan & Lola Williams.

Patty made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Sarah 2nd the motion, all was in favor and motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Checking \$50,354.06, Road Millage \$8,886.42,, CD's \$35,000 & \$20,000.00 and \$10.00 in Savings. Total \$114,250.48.

Patrick made a motion to pay bills. Patty 2nd the motion, all was in favor and motion carried. AP 6184-6200 and PR 6382-6396.

Old Business: Due to the error in the title on the Marihuana Ordinance printed in the Marion Press Peggy made a motion to adopt Notice of Ordinance Adoption/Summary and move \$1000.00 from Contingency fund into Township Board Publicity and move \$300.00 from Contingency fund to Treasurer's workshops and meetings. Ron 2nd the motion. All were in favor and motion carried. It will be placed in the Marion Press.

The front entry door was replaced and looks beautiful. The other door and basement still need to be done. Peggy called the highway department again on the parking lot striping.

Public comment: Bob Hoard addressed the Board on the township property off 10 mile road. A resident who has purchased the 40 behind the township 40 has placed a gate at the front of the township property and a gate at their property. The front gate prohibits residents from entering the township 40 and the 2nd fence and gate blocks the residents from entering the township's second 40. Patrick said he will talk to the owner.

The Noise and Public Nuisance Ordinance was discussed. Nothing has been resolved this year over the excessive dog barking that takes place. Ron made a motion to have Attorney White send a citation to the people responsible for violating the ordinance. Patty 2nd the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. Peggy will contact the attorney. Patrick will contact the sheriff's office with his information.

The need for an Ordinance Officer for the township was discussed.

Peggy requested sending pre pay in the amount of \$2000.00 to Fischer LP. Patty made a motion to pre pay, Ron 2nd the motion; all were in favor and motion carried. Donating to the hazard waste was requested and denied. MTA on the Road request: Patty, Peggy, Sarah and Patrick will be attending.

It was mentioned the township would owe the Osceola County Road Commission \$31,375.00 in January of 2020.

Patrick adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm. Next Board meeting will be November 11.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peggy A. Hoard, Clerk

