

Minutes of Mikado Township Board Meeting

October 12, 2020

Supervisor Jesus “Yogi” Yruegas called the Mikado Township Board Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m. at the Mikado Civic Center. He welcomed the six (6) guests that were present and joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call showed Supervisor Yruegas, Clerk Sands, Treasurer Travis, Trustee Odell and Trustee Griffin was present. No one was absent.

Motion by Griffin/Odell to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment opened at 7:01 and closed at 7:01.

Motion by Travis/Griffin to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

The Financial Report for September 2020 was given by Treasurer Travis as follows: The General Fund balance brought forward was \$81,077.04 with receipts of \$13,442.52, less disbursements of \$10,567.97, leaves a balance in the General Fund of \$83,951.59 plus CD's of \$20,000.00 (\$10,000.00 being Stabilization CD) leaves an overall balance in the General Fund of \$103,951.59. The Road MIF balance brought forward was \$110,687.17 with receipts of \$18.23 leaves a balance in the Road MIF of \$110,705.40 plus CD's of \$20,000.00, leaves an overall balance in the Road MIF of \$130,705.40. The Fire MIF balance brought forward was \$49,816.21 with receipts of \$76.81, leaves a balance in the Fire MIF of \$49,893.02 plus a CD in the amount of \$10,000.00, leaving an overall balance in Fire Fund of \$59,893.02. Motion by Odell/Yruegas to accept the Financial Report of September as presented. Motion Carried.

An Amendment to the Budget was not necessary.

Motion by Odell/Travis to approve the Bills in the amount of \$7,430.35 plus the receipt of a late bill. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

District 3 County Commissioner: Commissioner Carolyn Brummund of District #3 was present and gave a report on what is happening at the county level.

Assessor: Nancy Schwickert was present. She mentioned that she and the County is reviewing the sales studies. The State Tax Commission is reviewing the guidelines. They are looking at the possibility of a High Speed Internet Hook-up for a designated computer to be available for the residents to have access of the assessing info at any time.

Planning Commission: Trustee Odell mentioned that the next PC meeting will be December 9th.

Roads & Bridges: Supervisor Yruegas mentioned that all contracts with the County Road Commission are voided for this year and will need to be resigned next year if the new board wishes to have these contracts completed.

Fire Chief: Fire Chief Regina Waszkiewicz was present and mentioned that the Fire Department responded to eighteen (18) incidents in September. She further mentioned that she continues working on getting quotes for the radios and have not had the demo's for comparison on the SCBA's. The air trailer is back in service. The FD personnel are capable of doing the maintenance on the Air trailer. Motion by Odell/Yruegas to purchase the supplies needed for the up-keep of this trailer. Motion carried. The need to know who will certify the operation of the air trailer will be pursued. The application presented for hire at the September meeting is still on hold until the residency is proved.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: OEO Jesus Yruegas mentioned that he had heard of no complaints. He did receive a call, just today, for a Land Use Permit.

Civic Center/Township Property Issues:

UPDATES:

The Election Commission met this evening and appointed the following to work the November 3rd General Election. Chairman-Laura Myers-Meske and Kay Smith, both Democrats. Republicans, David Adams and Robert Meske. Appointed to be counters at the end of the day are Laura & Robert. Appointed as the Receiving Board is Kay & David. Rita Sands will help with the Absentee Ballots and Jesus Yruegas will stand-by for last minute cancellations.

NEW BUSINESS:

The opportunity arose to apply for a grant for Firefighters to give them a bonus because they do put their selves at risk when they respond to any call. Application was sent in for our twelve certified firefighters for \$1000.00 each. Taxes will be taken from this money but this money cannot be used for the Township's match of pension and medicare. Also placed in this grant is the fact that we would pay these firefighters, if granted the money, on October 26th which is the 4th Monday of the month. If we do not here the good news by then, we will hold payment until the word is received. Motion by Yruegas/Griffin to approve the expense of "township match" of \$918.00 for this bonus payment paid to our firefighters. Motion carried.

Time to do the winter plowing contract for the 2020-2021 season. Cut & Trim Lawncare does not plan to raise the charge from last year. The contract would remain the same with date changes only. Motion by Odell/Travis to have Cut & Trim Lawncare continue with our plowing of the Civic Center and Fire Hall lots. Motion carried.

It is time to sign contracts with the Goodfellows for the bingo rental agreement and use of the Civic Center for funeral dinners for the 2021 year with no changes. Motion by Odell/Griffin to have the Clerk get the proper signatures on the contracts. Motion carried. Present was Goodfellows Member Doug Travis who mentioned the club is still in discussion of when bingo will resume.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Odell/Travis to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p. m. Motion carried.

Orders 20848 – 20868 were presented and paid.

Receipts 5219 – 5222 were received and recorded.

Jesus Yruegas, Supervisor

Rita D. Sands, Clerk

Motion to accept by: _____ Seconded by : _____ Date: _____