

Minutes of Mikado Township Board Meeting

March 9, 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 twelve (12) guests that were present and joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call showed Supervisor Yruegas, Clerk Sands, Treasurer Travis and Trustee Odell was present. Trustee Griffin was absent.

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

Public Comment opened at 7:01 and closed at 7:06. Residents Carrie Mullins, Chair of the Alcona Republican Party and Ron Anderson made comments.

Motion by Travis/Odell to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Yruegas/Travis to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2020 as presented. Motion carried.

The Financial Report for February 2020 was given by Treasurer Travis as follows: The General Fund balance brought forward was \$62,624.46 with receipts of \$3,127.00, less disbursements of \$12,264.03, leaves a balance in the General Fund of \$53,487.43 plus CD's of \$20,000.00 (\$10,000.00 being Stabilization CD) leaves an overall balance in the General Fund of \$73,487.43. The Road MIF balance brought forward was \$45,390.81 with receipts of \$329.74 leaves a balance in the Road MIF of \$45,720.55 plus CD's of \$20,000.00, leaves an overall balance in the Road MIF of \$65,720.55. The Fire MIF balance brought forward was \$16,067.91 with receipts of \$95.02, leaves a balance in the Fire MIF of \$16,162.93 plus a CD in the amount of \$10,000.00, leaving an overall balance in Fire Fund of \$26,162.93. Motion by Odell/Yruegas to accept the Financial Report of February as presented. Motion Carried.

An Amendment to the Budget was necessary. We had to add money to the General Fund Budget to cover money spent for the Presidential Election and Street Lights and in the Fire Fund Budget add money for the final payment of the FF Personal Gear. Motion by Yruegas/Odell to adopt Budget Amendment #2019-2020.07 regarding the addition of \$1000.00 to the Election Cost Center and \$300.00 to the Street Light Cost Center from the General Fund Contingency and \$3500.00 added to the Fire Fund Expenses from the Fire Fund Contingency. Roll call vote, Yruegas-yes, Travis-yes, Sands-yes, Odell-yes. The Supervisor declared the amendment adopted.

Motion by Odell/Travis to approve the Bills in the amount of \$9,571.05 plus the DTE bill not received yet. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

District 3 County Commissioner: Commissioner Carolyn Brummund of District #3 was present and made comments on what is happening at the County level.

Assessor: Nancy Schwickert was not present. Board of Review Organizational Meeting will be held March 11 at 12:00 noon. Tax appeals will be heard from 1:30 to 7:30 on March 11 and 13.

Planning Commission: Trustee Odell mentioned that the next Planning Commission meeting will be held on March 11, 2020 at 6:00.

Roads & Bridges: Supervisor Yruegas gave an update on McTaggart Road. Waiting for a response from

Consumers Power on whether the piece of road in question is an easement or owned by residents. No date has been set yet for the road inspections with the Road Commission.

Fire Chief: Fire Chief Regina Waszkiewicz was present and gave her report. She mentioned that the Fire Department responded to eleven (11) incidents in February. She further mentioned that she is in the process of putting the proposal together to get bids for the 800 MHz radios for the DNR Grant. She also submitted the grant application to J.E. Fehsenfeld Foundation for the 2020 grant. Allband set up the fax line this past week at the fire hall.

Ordinance Enforcement Officer: OEO Wayne Odell mentioned that nothing has been heard on complaints.

Civic Center/Township Property Issues: The sinks in both restrooms have been replaced. Also replaced have been the extinguishers and emergency lights.

UPDATES:

The signed agreement for Fire Protection/First Responder with Gustin Township has been received.

PENDING BUSINESS:

Concerning the Township Web Site, STG did bill us for the set-up. This is due on the 10th of April. Motion by Odell/Travis to write a check on April 1st so the expense will go on the new budget. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Sands/Odell to recess the regular meeting to go into the Budget Hearing. Motion carried.

The Budget Hearing was opened at 7:25 pm with Supervisor Yruegas, Clerk Sands, Treasurer Travis and Trustee Odell present. The Ad for this Public Hearing was published in the Alcona County Review on February 26, 2020.

The floor was opened for Public Comment at 7:28. With no comments heard, Public Comment was closed at 7:30. Motion by Odell/Yruegas to adjourn the Budget Hearing and return to regular session at 7:30 pm. Motion carried.

Motion by Yruegas/Odell that the Township of Mikado levy the maximum authorized millage rates allowed for the tax year 2020. Motion carried.

Motion by Yruegas/Sands to adopt the General Appropriations Act Resolution #20.07 regarding the Mikado Township General Fund Budget. Roll call vote, Odell-yes, Travis-yes, Sands-yes, Yruegas-yes. The Supervisor announced the Resolution adopted.

Motion by Yruegas/Travis to adopt the General Appropriations Act Resolution #20.08 regarding the Mikado Township Road Fund Budget. Roll call vote, Yruegas-yes, Travis-yes, Odell-yes, Sands-yes. The Supervisor announced the Resolution adopted.

Motion by Sands/Odell to adopt the General Appropriations Act Resolution #20.09 regarding the Mikado Township Fire Fund Budget. Roll call vote, Travis-yes, Yruegas-yes, Odell-yes, Sands-yes. The Supervisor announced the Resolution adopted.

Motion by Yruegas/Odell to keep Everett Leeseberg as our digger for the Open & Closing of graves at the Cemetery with no change in the contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Sands/Travis to keep Ken's Janitorial as our cleaners for the Civic Center with no change in the contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Sands/Travis to keep Cut & Trim Lawncare for the in-town mowing and the clean-up and

mowing at the cemetery with no change in the contracts. Motion carried.

Motion by Yruegas/Odell to continue with Keith Moir as our Township Attorney. Motion carried.

The Alcona County Library presented a new contract with no change except the contract would last for 36 months instead of the 24 months as in the past. Motion by Yruegas/Travis to accept the contract as presented. Motion carried.

Clerk Sands presented a draft of the wording of a renewal for our Fire Millage for the August 4th ballot. Consensus was to approve the wording and put into a Resolution for our April Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Odell/Travis to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p. m. Motion carried.

Orders 20631 – 20660 were presented and paid.

Receipts 5179 – 5182 were received and recorded.

Jesus Yruegas, Supervisor

Rita D. Sands, Clerk

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