



**Annual Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2019**

Call Meeting to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

K. Wood called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Election of a Moderator: D. Chelberg elected T. Nelson as Moderator. S. Olson seconded. By a voice vote, majority rules. Motion passes.

Review and Approve the Agenda: B. Seekon made a motion to approve the agenda. R. Keller seconded. C. DuBose was added to the agenda for the County update. All in favor, motion carried.

T. Nelson stated the purpose of the Annual Meeting.

Introduce the current Lent Township Board: T. Nelson introduced the current Town Board.

Rick Keller, Chairperson, Brian Seekon, Vice Chair, Troy Nelson, Carolyn Cagle, Lisa Sinna

Approve the minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting: B. Seekon made a motion to approve the 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes. L. Johnson seconds. All in favor, Motion carried.

Board of Audit Report-Financial Spreadsheet: Copies of the Board of Audit Report were posted for public review and T. Nelson read the report.

Maintenance Staff/Maintenance Report: T. Nelson noted there were almost 600 residents without swing away mailbox posts. They are for sale in the office.

Road Report: T. Nelson said over 13 miles of road were hard surfaced in 2018 and the Board learned a lot in the process. They would like to not borrow the money to do the next phase because it will save on paying on the interest. There was discussion on how the loan and borrowing process works. There was also discussion regarding double chip seal.

County Report: C. DuBose updated the residents on what is happening at the County which included: focusing on broadband, a new EDA workforce study, staff retirements, radios and that he is involved with the aquatic invasive species group.

Planning & Zoning Report: B. Seekon said there is an opening on Planning Commission. He said there is a moratorium on solar that they are working on lifting by updating the solar ordinance.

Parks Report: T. Nelson said instead of the poured in play, they purchased a conveyor belt to help with wheelchair accessibility at the park. They are also adding sun shades to cut down on the heat. They would like to get started on the field across from the Hall and keep the work in house. He would like the work to be done soon, but the roads will take priority.

Building Report: C. Cagle said they have been working on projects such as rearranging the kitchen and adding double doors in the Hall. They would like to enclose the back area to be rented out and for meetings.

Fire Department Report: T. Potrament introduced the Fire Department heads, read the report and talked about new vehicles.

TAX LEVY FOR 2020

Road and Bridge: D. Chelberg made a motion to levy \$500k for Road and Bridge. Second by B. Seekon. All in favor, motion carried.

Road and Bridge Equipment: D. Chelberg made a motion to levy \$30k for Road and Bridge equipment. B. Randt seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Fire Account: B. Randt made a motion to levy \$175k for the Fire Fund. J. Schroeder seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Fire Equipment Fund: B. Seekon made a motion to levy \$20k for the Fire Equipment fund. D. Stiers seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Building Fund: D. Stiers made a motion to levy \$15k for the building fund. S. Sinna seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Parks Account: J. Schroeder made a motion to levy \$2,000 for the Parks Fund. N. Peltier seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

P & Z Fund: L. Johnson made a motion to levy \$0 for the P & Z Fund. Second by B. Randt. All in favor, motion carried.

General Fund: D. Chelberg made a motion to levy \$200k for the general fund. L. Johnson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Contracts for Services: D. Milles made a motion to approve \$4,500 for contracts for services. D. Stiers seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Gopher Bounty: J. Schroeder made a motion to set the gopher bounty at \$2.00 for 2020. L. Johnson seconded. By a hand vote, majority rules. Motion passes.

Date of the Regular Monthly Township Meeting: Motion made by B. Seekon that regular monthly meeting of Township Board be held at 7:00 pm on third Tuesday of every month. R. Keller seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Next Annual Meeting March 12, 2019: L. Johnson made a motion to set the next Annual Meeting at 7pm on March 10, 2020 at the Town Hall. B. Randt seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment

- B. Seekon said there will be two clean up days again because they have been successful.
- B. Randt said the Township should consider hiring a deputy to patrol the area where the sex offender moved in.
- L. Johnson said it is a difficult process having one garbage service throughout the Township. Many residents also discussed their dismay of this topic.
- J. Schroeder thanked the Board for getting so many roads blacktopped in the Township.
- J. Barrett said he appreciates the Board being transparent.

Adjourn Meeting: D. Good made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 pm. B. Randt seconded. By a voice vote, majority rules. Motion passes.

