



Comins Township
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Date Approved: _____

Supervisor: _____

Clerk: _____

February 20th 2024, Regular Meeting: Called to order at 6:02pm, Pledge lead by Supervisor Rob Murphy.

Present: Supervisor Rob Murphy, Clerk Amanda Barajas, Treasurer Deb Dew, Trustees Dave Yoder and Arisa Handrich.

Others Present: See Sign In Sheet

Guest:

Tyler Layman (Boney Park Ice Rink) – Presented the Board with a quote for a new warming hut.

Spencer Weaver (Weaver's Disposal, LLC) – Contract and LLC has been received by the township, expressed potential need for electric at the transfer site.

David Stenzel – Wanted to meet with Comins Township to express his intent to run for Oscoda County Sheriff. The current Sheriff, Kevin Grace, is retiring at the end of his term. Answered a few questions from the public.

Public Comment: Supervisor reminded everyone that they are welcome to comment throughout our meetings.

Discussion: Supervisor Rob Murphy:

1. ARPA Funds are going to have to have dedicated projects by the end of 2024 and spent by 2026. April 23rd, 2024 meeting will contain a public opinion segment to allot the communities input on how the money can be best utilized. To be posted on Facebook.
2. Township Attorney Karrie Zeits left our current firm and we have been reassigned to new a Attorney Rob, verified with the Board this is how they wanted to proceed and signed new contract.
3. Fire Tower Lease renewal is still in the process of being investigated.
4. Trustee David Yoder attended the MTA meeting as the Oscoda County Road Commissions Liaison. Dust Control was a major discussion, and he is looking into the possibility of using asphalt chips on dirt roads.
5. Trustee Arisa Handrich/Planning Commission Liaison questioned the Board on what they would like to see included on the 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan. A new playground, records vault, tractor, cemetery markers, a walking trail and work on baseball diamonds was discussed.
6. Citizens for Local Control Contacted Supervisor Rob Murphy about becoming the County Captain for their petition and have been sending him emails to his work email but have sense subsided.
7. The Township received a FOIA request for copies of Supervisor Rob Murphy emails in correspondence with the Citizens for Local Control and other specific individuals. Clerk Amanda Barajas wanted the Boards advice on how to proceed with such FOIA request. MTA and the Attorneys advice was recommended by the Board.
8. The Oscoda County Road Commission sent the dust control contract for 2024, with the need to approve or reject by April. Concerns with longevity and environmental effects discussed. Possibility to hold a special meeting to discuss the contract and whether to sign.
9. Preliminary Budget has room to budget in possible projects, dust control, or equipment funds for the Fire Department.
10. New Planning Commission Chair Kyle Yoder is encouraging more training for all members, including MSU training.
11. Quote was presented for new firewall equipment from Allpro Technology. New equipment would eliminate the annual fee. Current equipment is out of date.

Agenda Items Approved:

Murphy/Barajas

Murphy/Dew

Murphy/Yoder

Murphy/Handrich

January 23rd, 2024 Regular Minutes

Allpro Technology Equipment Update \$1898.00

Payroll & Bills January 2024 CK#21539-21555

Amend Budget as follows;

\$42.50, Office Wages (101-264-702)

\$318.50, Misc/Tech Support (101-101-956)

\$457.63, Election Supplies (101-262-740)

\$98.95, Town Hall Supplies (101-265-740)

\$57.40, Town Hall R&M (101-265-930)

\$6.50, Cemetery Wage (101-276-702)

\$29.43, Cemetery Supplies (101-276-740)

\$160.95, Fire Supplies (101-336-740)

\$310, Misc Fire (101-336-956), Radio Subscription

\$202.29, Park R & M (101-751-930)

\$218.57, Social Security/Medicare (101-862-715)

Reports:

Treasure's Report: January 2024

PC Minutes: February 2024

Social Media: Election Updates, Meeting Changes, Little League and Tax Deadline.

Zoning Report: 4 Permits Issued

Correspondence:

Letter From DTE wanting our Solar Ordinance changed to match state law.

Adjournment: at 8:23pm Murphy/Dew/Yoder/Handrich/Barajas

Next Meeting: March 26th, 2024 Regular Meeting/Budget Hearing Meeting