

March 12, 2020

1. The regular meeting of the Leighton Township Board was called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor Deer.
2. All members were present.
3. Motion by Bonnema, support by Hooker to approve the minutes of February 13, 2020 as presented. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Bultsma to approve the meeting agenda as presented. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
5. Fire Chief Weston reported on department activities.
6. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Bultsma to approve Jeff Zuiderveen as a probationary fire fighter. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
7. Hooker reported that the Planning Commission approved a site plan on Electric Avenue and a special use permit for a private residential day care.
8. The Board of Appeals approved one variance in February.
9. The Building Inspector reported that there were no new home permits in February.
10. Green Lake Sewer - waiting on the final paving on Glenn Drive.
11. There was no public comment.
12. Deer reminded the Board of the Green Lake Annual meeting on March 17 at 7 p.m.
13. The Road Committee continues to meet.
14. Motion by Hooker, support by Bultsma to approve the 2020-2021 General Fund as presented with expenditures of \$2,828,746.00. Roll call vote. Yeas: Hooker, Bultsma, Bonnema, Nieuwenhuis, Deer Nays: None Motion carried.
15. Motion by Hooker, support by Bultsma to approve the Road Budget with expenditures of \$450,000.00. Roll call vote. Yeas: Hooker, Bultsma, Bonnema, Nieuwenhuis, Deer Nays: None Motion carried.
16. Motion by Hooker, support by Bultsma to approve the Street Light Budget with expenditures of \$30,000.00. Roll call vote. Yeas: Hooker, Bultsma, Bonnema, Nieuwenhuis, Deer Nays: None Motion carried.
17. Motion by Hooker, support by Bultsma to approve the Public Safety Budget with expenditures of \$500,000.00. Roll call vote. Yeas: Hooker, Bultsma, Bonnema, Nieuwenhuis, Deer Nays: None Motion carried.
18. Motion by Hooker, support by Bultsma to approve the Capital Improvement Budget with expenditures of \$100,000.00. Roll call vote. Yeas: Hooker, Bultsma, Bonnema, Nieuwenhuis, Deer Nays: None Motion carried.
19. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Hooker to amend the 2019-2020 budget as follows: increase publications to \$3100.00, increase MTA to \$4500.00, increase computer to \$22,000.00, increase recycle to \$90,000.00 and police capital outlay to \$5000.00 with increases coming from line #38 of the budget (transfers in). Roll call vote. Yeas: Nieuwenhuis, Hooker, Bonnema, Bultsma, Deer Nays: None Motion carried.

20. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Bonnema to approve the mowing contract for the cemetery with Heyboer Landscaping at \$262.00 per time along with additional money for cleanup and fertilizer. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
21. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Bonnema to approve the contract with Green Lake Landscaping for mowing at the township hall and the Moline Fire Station. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
22. Motion by Nieuwenhuis, support by Bonnema to approve the contract with Potts Landscape Management for mowing at the Green Lake Fire Station and the Green Lake Park. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
23. Motion by Hooker, support by Nieuwenhuis to approve the workorder for dust control with Southwestern Michigan Dust Control. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
24. Deer has been asked by a resident to consider that the Board take action on a Lake Improvement Committee. Motion by Deer, support by Nieuwenhuis to table action on this item for more information. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
25. Motion by Hooker, support by Nieuwenhuis to approve the expenditure of \$100.00 for a security camera for the hallway in the township hall. All members voted yes. Motion carried.
26. Motion by Hooker, support by Bultsma to pay the current listed bills in the amount of \$106,814.09. Roll call vote. Yeas: Hooker, Bultsma, Nieuwenhuis, Bonnema, Deer Nays: None Motion carried.
27. Public Comment: There were some questions about vandalism at the township hall and AED training.
28. Motion by Hooker, support by Nieuwenhuis to adjourn. All members voted yes. Motion carried.

Mary Lou Nieuwenhuis  
Leighton Twp. Clerk