

The regular monthly meeting of the Manistee Township Board was held on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the Manistee Township Hall. Board members present were Supervisor Dennis Bjorkquist, Trustee Guy Finout, Trustee John Dontz, Treasurer Connie Jankwietz, and Clerk Dianne Taylor. Also present were Fire Chief Chuck Barron, Lieutenant Joe Wells, Deputy Clerk Karen Clouse, Marlene Walters, Shelley Green, and Barry Lind with PEG. County Commissioner Jeff Dontz was absent.

Supervisor Dennis Bjorkquist called the meeting to order. All attending stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Minutes of the September 20, 2018 Manistee Township Board Meeting were provided. Treasurer Connie Jankwietz made the motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Trustee Finout. All in favor; motion carried.

Treasurer Jankwietz provided the Treasurer's report for the month of September. The receipts were \$49,599.63; expenditures were \$34,915.63, leaving a balance of \$180,248.25 in the General Fund as of September 2018. Treasurer's report was placed on file.

Approved minutes from the September 6, 2018 Planning Commission meeting were presented to the Board and placed on file.

Manistee Township Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet.

There were no public comments at this time.

Manistee County Commissioners report was not available.

Trustee Finout, as Zoning Administrator, reported on the activities in the Zoning office for September. There were no new complaints. There were three (3) land use permits issued and six (6) requests for construction permits. The Planning Commission approved the Oak Grove PUD submittal, with conditions, and will be working with Township Attorney Richard Wilson to draft the PUD agreement. Zoning Administrator Finout presented the Board with a Trails Report from Trail Committee Representative, Linda Finout. Cleon Township was awarded grant money to complete a portion of the trail; however, the township was not able to raise the required matching funds so the grant could not be accepted.

Fire Chief Chuck Barron reported there were five (5) meetings and/or training sessions, eleven (11) medical runs, and seven (7) fire runs. Truck #131 is currently out of service and Eastlake and City of Manistee Fire Departments are assisting on calls if needed. All other apparatus, including the station house, are in good working condition. Fire Prevention Day open house will be held on October 20, 2018 from 11a.m. to 1pm. Active shooter training will take place at the Courthouse on October 13, 2018 from 9am to 3pm. Recruitment for personnel is ongoing and training is continuing on a monthly basis. The new radios are in place and are working well. Trustee Dontz made the

motion to accept David Pete as a probationary firefighter; seconded by Treasurer Jankwietz. All voted in favor; motion carried. Supervisor Bjorkquist expressed his thanks to all firefighters for their hard work.

Supervisor Bjorkquist, as Liquor Inspector, stated there are no significant changes for September.

Sealed bids were requested for the 2018/2019 winter season snow removal. Manistee Township received three (3) bids:

Larsen's Landscaping, LLC  
\$65.00 per hour – Truck  
\$120.00 per hour – Large Loader

LK Maintenance & Handyman Services  
\$50.00 per hour – Truck 3/4T K w/plow  
\$50.00 per hour – Truck 3/4T 2500 w/plow  
\$45.00 per day – Snowblower  
\$35.00 each - Salter

Forbes Sanitation & Excavation, Inc  
\$35.00 per hour – Plow 4 wheel pickup  
\$60.00 per hour – Loader  
\$35.00 each - Sander

Trustee Dontz made a motion to award the snow removal contract to Forbes Sanitation & Excavation; Trustee Finout seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

The Board Members received a draft of the township calendar for 2019. Trustee Dontz made the motion to move the Thursday, January 10, 2019 Board meeting to Tuesday, January 8, 2019, seconded by Trustee Jankwietz. All voted in favor; motion carried. Board members were requested to bring any other changes to the November 8, 2018 Board Meeting.

Supervisor Bjorkquist stated the Revenue Sharing Board will be meeting December 10, 2018 for Cycle 2-2018 awarding of grants.

The September bill payment detail has been provided. Trustee Dontz made the motion to pay the bills for September as provided and the October bills as they are received; Treasurer Jankwietz seconded the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

**Manistee County Scrap Tire Drop-Off Event to be held Saturday, October 13, 2018 at the Manistee County Fairgrounds, 7587 First St, Onkama from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00p.m.**

**Manistee US31 Bascule Bridge to be closed for repairs Tuesday, October 16 thru Friday, October 19, 2018.**

**Manistee County MTA Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Bear Lake Township, 7771 Lake Street, Bear Lake at 7:00 PM.**

**Manistee Zoning Board of Appeals** will meet **Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Manistee Township Hall – *if there is an appeal.***

**Manistee Twp. Planning Commission** will meet **Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Manistee Township Hall.**

Next regular meeting of the **Manistee Township Board** will be held on **Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Manistee Township Hall, 410 Holden Street.**

There being no further business or public comments to come before the board, it was moved by Trustee Dontz, seconded by Clerk Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. All in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Taylor  
Manistee Township Clerk