

**PROPOSED  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
ROCK RIVER TOWNSHIP  
DECEMBER 15, 2020**

Meeting called to order at 7:01.

This meeting was held by remote electronic access, in accordance with Michigan law and due to COVID-19 social distancing requirements and limitations on the number of individuals in a meeting hall. All motions will be roll call vote.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Teri Grout; Rock River Twp, Dawn Leppanen; Rock River Twp, Trevor Case; Rock River Twp, Janet Braun; Rock River Twp, Rowan Bunce; Rock River Twp

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**GUESTS:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT: 1.)** None

**MINUTES:** Motion to approve board minutes of 11-17-20 by Braun, 2<sup>nd</sup> Case.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Case: aye Bunce: aye Braun: aye Leppanen: aye Grout: aye Nays: none  
Supervisor declared the motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING** for Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marijuana Facilities and Recreational Marijuana Establishments.

Hearing Opened at 7:05.

Public Comment: Public Comment was heard by 2 residents of Kiva (Rich and Erica) and their attorney friend (Joy Verlinden) from Marquette. All comments were in favor of the ordinance. We also received correspondence from Andy Reichert that was opposed to the ordinance. Board discussed ordinance and public comment.

Motion to adopt proposed Ordinance Authorizing and Permitting Commercial Medical Marijuana Facilities and Recreational Establishments by Bunce, 2<sup>nd</sup> Case.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Case: aye Bunce: aye Braun: aye Leppanen: aye Grout: aye Nays: none  
Supervisor declared the ordinance adopted.

The ordinance will take effect 5 days after publication.

Hearing Closed at 7:15.

**TREASURER'S FINANCIAL REPORT:** Report presented, reviewed and placed in file for audit.

**PAY BILLS:** Motion to pay bills (32,447.32) with debits/checks #17492-17548 by Case, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bunce.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Case: aye Bunce: aye Braun: aye Leppanen: aye Grout: aye Nays: none  
Supervisor declared the motion carried.

**ASSESSOR REPORT: 1.)** Report received and placed in file. **2.) Appoint Board of Review members:** Motion by Bunce, 2<sup>nd</sup> Case to appoint current BOR members; Kathy Kallio, Bruce Kallio and Jenny LeJeune to Board of Review.

Roll Call Vote: Braun: aye, Leppanen: aye, Case: aye, Bunce: aye Grout: aye nays: none  
Supervisor declared the motion carried.

**CEMETERY REPORT: 1.)** None

**FIRE DEPT: 1.)** Two calls this past month. Both were mutual aid calls with Mathias Twp. Alger County Sheriff's Dept. has donated a 6-wheeler to the RR Twp Fire Dept. The fire dept. has a single axle 8x5 utility trailer for sale, because it is too small to transport the 6-wheeler.

**PLANNING COMMISSION: 1.)** Will meet in January.

**SKI HILL: 1.)** Ski hill will open after Christmas when we have enough of a snow base.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: 1.) Report:** Just general inquiries about zoning.

**CORRESPONDENCE: 1.)** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: 1.) Blight Complaint:** Supervisor sent a letter to McAlpine; no response yet. Supervisor is waiting to hear from Paul Whitmarsh regarding the clean-up of the Douglas Darling property. Supervisor will be following up on both of these complaints.

**NEW BUSINESS: 1.) Herek Request:** Board discussed the proposal from Mr. Herek regarding cost sharing for a gate on the recently purchased Cold Springs Rd. property. Rowan offered to donate a cattle gate for that purpose. Motion by Case, 2<sup>nd</sup> Braun to approve cost sharing with Hereks to purchase installation hardware and posts.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Case: aye Bunce: aye Braun: aye Leppanen: aye Grout: aye Nays: none  
Supervisor declared the motion carried.

**2.) Budget Review:** Board reviewed General Budget. Motion by Braun, 2nd Case to approve the following:  
Subtract 799.88 from Uncategorized Expense.

Add 355.00 to Election Postage

Add 444.88 to Election Supplies

ROLL CALL VOTE: Case: aye Bunce: aye Braun: aye Leppanen: aye Grout: aye Nays: none

Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Board reviewed the Fire Budget, no adjustments were necessary at this time.

**ANY OTHER BOARD BUSINESS OR PUBLIC COMMENT:** Supervisor attended the Alger County Recycling Meeting. Recycle 906 will begin accepting recycling from Alger County individuals within 6 months. Paul Whitmarsh will continue to accept recycling. Board does not need to take action regarding recycling at this time.

Motion Case, 2nd Braun to adjourn meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Case: aye Bunce: aye Braun: aye Leppanen: aye Grout: aye Nays: none

Supervisor declared the motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm.

Dawn Leppanen, Clerk

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*proposed minutes, subject to approval*

Teresa Grout, Supervisor

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**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 19, 2021 AT 7PM AT THE TWP. HALL**

