

TROUT LAKE TOWNSHIP

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Supervisor: Helen Fischer
Clerk: Kathleen A. English
Treasurer: Pam Barrett
Trustee: Laura Simpson
Trustee: John Clark

Township Board Meeting, October 8, 2019, Minutes, *Draft pending Board Approval November 12, 2019.*

Attendance: Twenty-one (21)

Meeting called to order at 1827, by Supervisor Fischer, with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Board Members present: Helen Fischer, Kathy English, John Clark, Laura Simpson and Pam Barrett. A quorum of the Township Board was in Attendance.

Motion made by Supervisor Fischer, seconded by Trustee Clark, to approve the minutes of September 10, 2019. Motion Approved unanimously.

Public Comments:

1. Ken Lind, from EMC Insurance, requested to provide a quote for the Township's liability coverage.
2. Chari Fischer asked about the blight ordinance and why the process has not moved forward. Discussion ensued. A public meeting will be scheduled to receive input related to blight in the Township.
3. Questions related to Ambulance coverage. Supervisor Fischer stated she spoke with the Supervisor of Rexton who stated that they have 24 hour coverage. Chief John Clark clarified that they only provide medical first responder (MFR) services which is the same as what our Township is now providing related to lack of personnel. Lengthy discussion ensued.

Clerk Report: Kathy English, Clerk. Financial report received.

1. A quote from Charm Computers, obtained by Jessica McLean, Assessor, has been received. However, to obtain the pricing as stated, the contract would have to be signed on October 9, 2019. Additional quotes will need to be obtained as well as confirm exactly what is needed to upgrade the computers.

Treasurer Report: Pam Barrett, Treasurer. Financial report received. No additional report for this meeting.

Ambulance Service Report: John Clark, Ambulance Corp Captain. Report received.

1. Three (3) runs for the months of September & October, 2019, to date.
2. Mr. Clark reported that the Trout Lake EMS is down until the issue of coverage is resolved, which he has told the State will be at least until January 1, 2020.
3. Mr. Clark stated he is looking to see if there is any interest in a Medical First Responder (MFR) class. Anyone interested can contact him at (906) 203-0621 or email him at <troutlake01@yahoo.com>

Fire Department Report: John Clark, Fire Chief. Report received.

1. Zero (0) runs for the month of September & October, 2019, to date.
2. All trucks are in good working order. Mr. Clark replaced the starter pull rope on one of the pumps as it was frayed.
3. The Fire Department and the Pride will be hosting the kids Halloween party at the fire hall this month.
4. Mr. Clark made a plea for anyone willing and wanting to join the Fire Department. Must be 18 years of age and older, and any gender. Please contact Chief Clark at 906 203 0621.
5. Mr. Clark encourages everyone who is looking to burn debris to log onto WWW.DNR.STATE.MI.US/BURNPERMITS The website has color coded maps designating if burning is permitted.

Park Report: Helen Fischer, Supervisor.

1. Supervisor Fischer stated the Park is now closed. She reported that the Park had the best season in seven(7) years with 327 more sites rented and a total earnings of \$55,066.
2. Question from the public related to the repairs of the septic pump system, which Supervisor Fischer stated has not been done yet.

Tax Assessor Report: Jessica McLean, Assessor. Report received.

1. Ms. McLean presented a resolution for the policy for land divisions which is required by the State. Motion made by Trustee Simpson, seconded by Treasurer Barrett, to approve the resolution. Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Fischer	Yes
Clerk English	Yes
Treasurer Barrett	Yes
Trustee Clark	Yes
Trustee Simpson	Yes

No 'No' votes stated. Resolution approved unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

1. Question from the public related to who owns the building behind Mary Beaudoin's place. Jessica McLean is working on identifying ownership.

New Business:

1. Supervisor Fischer presented an amended tax resolution. It was stated by Supervisor Fischer that the hall debt payment are \$10,000 and the millage brings in \$18,900 annually. Clerk English provided an explanation of the millage. Discussion ensued related to the millage for the hall debt. Clerk English stated that any millage dollars brought in has to be spent on the hall debt and cannot be used for anything else. Clerk English made a motion, seconded by Treasurer Barrett, to approve the amended tax resolution.
Roll Call Vote:

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Roll Call Vote: Supervisor Fischer Yes
Clerk English Yes
Treasurer Barrett Yes
Trustee Clark Yes
Trustee Simpson Yes

No 'No' votes stated. Resolution approved unanimously.

- Supervisor Fischer stated that the budget is too large as well as complex. She stated she will speak to the Auditors about this.
- Supervisor Fischer stated Graymont will be holding a meeting on October 9, 2019 at the Hendricks Township Hall 7:00pm, for a progress report.

Motion made by Supervisor Fischer, seconded by Treasurer Barrett, to pay the bills as submitted by Clerk English. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion made by Supervisor Fischer, seconded by Treasurer Barrett, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1916.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. English
Trout Lake Township Clerk