Location: Ray Township Hall

64255 Wolcott, Ray, MI 48096

Present: Joe Jarzyna, Supervisor

Lori Lascoe, Clerk

Doug Stier, Treasurer

Charlie Bohm, Trustee

Betty Grader, Trustee

Absent: None

1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES & ROLL CALL.

Supervisor Jarzyna called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Jarzyna, Lascoe, Stier, Bohm, Grader were present.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Stier added to the bills list; Accident Fund for $20,246.00

and agenda items 10-g.) Email updates

**MOTION by Stier supported by Lascoe to approve the agenda as amended.**

**MOTION carried.**

3. CORRESPONDENCE: 7-25-19 Ray Wheeler regarding Animal Control Ordinance No.76. Lascoe read the correspondence regarding animals on small subdivision lots and blight.

Jarzyna stated he visited the site and the animals were part of a 4-H project and were to be removed from the property. Further stated the Code Enforcement Officer is addressing the issue of blight with the property owner.

Grader stated she would like the Planning Commission to review the ordinance relating to parcel size and permitted animals. Further stated the animals can become a hazard to residents.

**MOTION by Bohm supported by Lascoe to receive and file the correspondence and request the Planning Commission to review the Animal Control Section of the Zoning Ordinance.**

**MOTION carried.**

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Supervisor Jarzyna asked anyone that would like to speak to come to the podium and state their name and address.

There were no public comments.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 16, 2019 & July 29, 2019

Lascoe stated the Board received a revised set of minutes.

**MOTION by Bohm supported by Grader to approve the minutes from July 16, 2019 as revised.**

**MOTION carried.**

**MOTION by Grader supported by Lascoe to approve the minutes from July 29, 2019 as revised.**

**MOTION carried.**

6. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Stier requested to add the Accident Funds Insurance to the bills list since the payment is due on 9-1-2019 with the amended amount to $118,902.36.

Lascoe stated there is a correction the bottom of page one, that Grader Farms did the brush hogging for $590.00,

Grader asked Chief DiMaria about the bill from Rocket Enterprise for a flag service.

DiMaria stated they replace the flag at the fire hall, five (5) times per year and maintain the pole.

**MOTION by Stier supported by Bohm to approve the amended bills list through August 20, 2019 in the amount of $118,902.36.**

**MOTION carried.**

7. OFFICER’S REPORTS

1. Supervisor Jarzyna reported the Limestone program is finished on Ray Center between 27 Mile and 29 Mile and on 28 Mile from Ray Center to North Avenue.

Jarzyna reported the Michigan Wine Collaborative recently worked with the Michigan Wine Competition partners, the Kellogg Center and the MSU School of Hospitality Business to hold the 2019 Michigan Wine Competition. A record 439 wines were entered from 63 wineries. He stated he was proud to announce that Ray Township, “Youngblood Vineyards Marquette Estate Grown 2018” won best is class for Dry Red. This was produced from their 2018 first grape harvest.

Jarzyna stated the recycle center tickets are sold for $6.00 per home, for each month of recyclables. He stated multiple families are using one ticket with a full pick-up load. Further stated 2.8% of the households, or approximately 49 homes use the recycling center out of 1,980 households.

Stier stated calls were received because the recycle center had to close at approximately 11:30 a.m. due to the large amount of recycling received.

Bohm stated he believes the ordinance reads one pickup load per resident for the current fee. Further recommended the ordinance be reviewed.

Grader stated she would not be opposed to the Township pouring more cement to accommodate another container for recycling.

1. Clerk Lascoe stated the Romeo Community Schools has scheduled a special election for a millage renewal for November 5th, 2019. The Clerks Office will be open on Saturday, November 2, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for absentee ballots and to register to vote.

Lascoe announced on August 19th, the Township received the $40,000.00 signing bonus from American Tower for the lease agreement for the executed extension agreement. Further stated the Board approved the agreement on November 20, 2018.

1. Treasurer Stier reported had nothing to report.
2. Trustee Grader had nothing to report.

Trustee Bohm had nothing to report.

**MOTION by Stier supported by Grader to receive and file the Officer’s Report as presented.**

**MOTION carried.**

1. DEPARTMENT REQUEST/REPORTS
   1. Assessing
   2. Budget Report
   3. Building Department
   4. Fire Department Report & Request to purchase Hurst Edraulic tools & Chest Compression System

**MOTION by Stier supported by Lascoe to allow Ray Township Fire & Rescue to purchase a new set Hurst Edraulic tools, which includes, Hurst Edraulic Spreader Package, Hurst Edraulic Cutter Package and Hurst Edraulic Ram Package at quoted price of $29,000.00.**

**MOTION carried.**

Chief DiMaria and Assistant Chief McKee provided a demonstration of the Lucas 3 Chest Compression system for the Board and audience members.

**MOTION by Stier supported by Lascoe to allow Ray Township Fire and Rescue to purchase a Lucas 3, Chest Compression system which includes, 1 Hard shell case, 1 Slim back plate, 1 Two patient straps, 1 Stabilization strap, 1 Two (2) suction cups, 1 Battery, 1 Battery Desk top charger, 1 Lucas power supply, 1 Re-chargeable battery at quoted price of $14, 992.27.**

**MOTION carried.**

* 1. Library Report
  2. Recreation Report
  3. Senior Report

Grader stated she attended and enjoyed the trip to the DIA, it was a very nice trip.

* 1. SMART/Richmond Lenox EMS Report – No report was provided.

Jarzyna reviewed the department’s monthly reports for July 2019.

**MOTION by Lascoe supported by Bohm to receive and file the July 2019 Department Reports.**

**MOTION carried.**

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Library Building Improvements

Jarzyna stated he received a revised quote after the joint meeting with the Library Board and asked for the cost for an additional coat of paint and the storm windows if needed.

Grader stated she prefers a second coat of paint and to paint the insides of the storm windows if needed.

Stier stated the Board is not seeking any funds for the painting from the library.

**MOTION by Grader supported by Stier to approve expenditure of $6,950.00 for J. Londer Painting to complete all preparation work and painting of the Ray Township Public Library building as proposed and to include $60.00 to paint inside of each storm windows as necessary.**

**MOTION carried.**

1. NEW BUSINESS
   1. Site Plan for Private Road; Cutro Estates, located at 15632 29 Mile Road, on the south side of 29 Mile Road

& west of Romeo Plank, Permanent Parcel No. 21-05-19-100-007. Antonio Virelli, Petitioner.

Jarzyna stated the Planning Commission approved the site plan for the private road contingent upon approval from Consumers Power company to move the easement. Further stated the easement has been granted.

Pete Snyder, Urban Land, advised all engineering approvals are completed and the easement has been the hold up on the project.

**MOTION by Lascoe supported by Stier to approve the Site Plan for the Private Road for Cutro Estates, Permanent Parcel No. 21-05-19-100-007, Antonino Virelli, Petitioner.**

**MOTION carried.**

b. Request to participate in Phragmite matching grant with Macomb County Department of Roads.

Jarzyna stated multiple bids have been received. Davey Tree - $3,600.00, Natural Commodity Services - $25,000.00, POM Co. $3,650.00 and Wildlife and Wetland Solutions $1,500.00. Committee needs to make inquires and see if all bids include the same specifications. Further stated the Committee will meet again.

**MOTION by Bohm supported by Stier to allow Supervisor Jarzyna to enter into contract with Macomb County Department of Roads Phragmite Matching Grant Program at a cost not to exceed $5,000.00.**

**MOTION carried.**

c. Request for temporary structure on building site at 24320 Murray Drive.

**MOTION by Stier supported by Lascoe to grant request from Chris and Mary Michayluk for a temporary structure permit at 24320 Murray Drive for a period of six months while home is under construction with the necessary bond to be posted and an extension may be requested, if needed.**

**MOTION carried.**

d. Intergovernmental Agreement by and between Charter Township of Shelby and Township of Ray.

Jarzyna asked the Board to review the agreement and to reach out with any questions to the Township Attorney and Engineer.

**MOTION by Grader supported by Lascoe to Table Intergovernmental Agreement by and between Shelby and Township of Ray for further discussion and revisions.**

**MOTION carried.**

e. Consent Judgment; Stadler Holding Co., LLC v Township of Ray, Case No. 2019-000961-CZ.

**MOTION by Bohm supported by Grader to approve consent judgment and allow attorney to proceed.**

Stier stated the site plan as presented shows a future split and a pond that does not meet the Ray Township Zoning Ordinance.

Jarzyna stated before vote that he has spoken with attorney and the split lines will be removed from the site plan and the meeting can be suspended to make a phone call to the attorney before the vote.

**For this motion: Yes: Jarzyna**

**No: Bohm, Grader, Stier, Lascoe**

**MOTION failed.**

Stier stated he prefers a new site plan with the future split removed.

Lascoe stated the Consent Judgment, Exhibit B shows the future split line and a proposed detention pond which would not be a legal split according to the Zoning Ordinance. She stated she talked to Mr. Stadler and he has no problem removing the future split lines from the consent judgment.

**MOTION by Stier supported by Lascoe to Table item 10e, Consent Judgement; Stadler Holding Co., LLC v Township of Ray, Case No, 2019-00961-CZ for a revised Exhibit B site plan with the future proposed split lines removed.**

**MOTION carried.**

f. Request to attend BS&A Training for Planning, Zoning & Engineering module within Bldg. Dept. application.

Jarzyna stated the training is free the cost would be the mileage to Bath, Michigan.

**MOTION by Stier supported by Lascoe to allow L. Hall, Planning & Zoning Clerk to attend free BS&A, PZ&E training in Bath, MI on September 10, 2019, township to pay mileage.**

**MOTION carried.**

g. E-mail updates

Stier stated soon an in-house e-mail system will no longer be available without purchasing a new server at an approximate cost of $14,000.00. The new server would have a projected life of 5-7 years. SYO can do offsite e-mail hosting for $12.00 per month per user.

Grader asked if there are any disadvantages to an off-site e-mail host?

Stier stated he sees no disadvantage, SYO has always provided good service.

Bohm stated the monthly amount indicates the Township would save money.

**MOTION by Bohm supported by Stier to allow treasurer to contract with SYO to allow offsite hosted e-mail at a cost of $12.00 per month, per user.**

**MOTION carried.**

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Terry Goike, 21122 32 Mile, thanked the Board for working with the library on the painting of the building. The $1,000.00 dollars that was to be used toward painting has been used to purchase two thermal printers for the library. The Friends of the Library and Historical Society are seeking photos for the 2020 calendar and sponsors.

Jeff Yaroch, State Representative, thanked the Board for opening the hall and allowing him to meet with the residents to discuss issues that they are concerned with. He stated he attended the Bluewater/FERC event and visited the proposed location. He has submitted a letter to FERC and advised that Senator Pete Lucido has also submitted a letter. He advised the Board that he is staying on top of the revenue sharing issue and making sure the local governments are supported. He explained he has been very vocal in Lansing regarding the 6% gas tax being returned to local government. He provided information regarding the house budget and the proposal for selling the Romeo Airport. He explained the House is seeking to sell two airports; Romeo is one of the four owned by the state. The state picked up the Romeo Airport because they did not want it to cease to exist. Further stated MDOT needs to focus on the roads.

Grader stated she is very much in favor of daylight savings time remining in place year-round.

Yaroch stated he supports this, further stated that DTE has no data showing the changing the time in the fall provides any savings.

Barbara Sparks, 59880 North Avenue, stated she is 30% disabled by the Veterans Administration, many of the seniors have a hard time hearing when attending the senior activities. She stated she would like the Township to provide a microphone for the Senior Director, so she does not have to raise her voice for the seniors to hear.

1. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION by Stier supported by Grader to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m.**

**MOTION carried.**

Joe Jarzyna, Supervisor Lori R. Lascoe, Clerk Date

Lisa Hall, Recording Secretary