

Campbell Township

Regular Meeting

October 10, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Present: Larry Patrick, Dan Jackson, Brian Thompson, Marshann Ludema, Linda Willison

Visitors: 14

Pledge to flag was given.

Minutes of September meeting were read and approved. (Dan/Larry)

**Public Comment:**

-Lori Kirkoff from I'm Safe Child Advocacy Center informed the board and public about their work on behalf of abused children. They must provide a 20% match each year to retain a government grant. Facility is located in southern Montcalm County with their program serving both Montcalm and Ionia Counties.

-Representatives from the Saranac Library were present to ask for an approval of a resolution which would establish the library as the Saranac-Clarksville District Library. Board members will read over the contract resolution and vote to approve or not at November meeting. Contract is due back by November 30.

-Paul Spitzley announced that the CSX Railroad is proposing that the Darby Road crossing within Campbell Township be either updated with lights and drop bars or be closed. If the township voted for closure, there would be a compensation to the township of up to \$165,000. General consensus of those present was in favor of keeping the crossing open.

**Fire Department Report** – Paul reported that there were 160 hours spent by volunteer firefighters at the fire station in the past month and 4 runs made. The yearly Halloween Party will be taking place on October 31. Bob Cronk reported that the 911 Open House was very informative.

**Park Report** – Joe Fahrni reported that there is one more week of ball games scheduled at the park. Building will be winterized soon and second entry gate will be closed, first gate open for the time being. Joe has found new locks for the restrooms which don't allow locking from the inside. Joe said that there has been good feedback about park upkeep.

**Cemetery Report**– water will be turned off soon.

**New Business** – Linda presented two estimates for carpet cleaning of township hall: Modernistic \$165; Stanley Steemer \$255, with option of protection coat \$50 and Deodorization \$50. Motion made by Dan, supported by Larry to hire Modernistic for \$165. Carried

-Cemetery CD is coming due on October 16. Motion was made by Dan, supported by Linda to roll over for another 12 months at a rate of 2% with United Bank

**Old Business** – Blight Ordinance and Civil Infraction Ordinance. Larry asked about posting the blight ordinance on the website in DRAFT form so that the public can access it and provide feedback.

**Bills** totaling \$30,810.97 were approved for payment. Dan/Larry

**Financial Report** was approved as presented. Larry/Dan

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm

Marshann Ludema, Clerk