

A regular monthly meeting of the Gilmore Township Board was held on Wednesday, July 12th, 2017 at the Gilmore Township Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stark, Rogalski, Gibbs, McConnell, Marshall

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS: John Stoliker and Scott Hawken from Apex Wind Energy were present and answered numerous questions and concerns from the township residents on the Wind Farm Project that is being planned for Isabella County. Gilmore Township sections 25, 26, 27, 33, 34, 35, and 36 have land that is leased to this project. The wind farm will produce up to 400 megawatts with up to 200 turbines. Cost per turbine is approx. \$1.8 million. Approx \$2600 per turbine per township per year will be generated in general fund tax dollars. There will be a meeting at a wind farm project in Shiawasee County on the 13th of July, 2017. The Clerk will attend on the 13th. There were many concerns from the township residents about the proposed wind farm.

AGENDA: The Supervisor circulate a copy of the agenda for each Board Member to review. He called for any additions, deletions or corrections to the agenda. A motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by McConnell to approve the agenda as presented.

All Yeas being heard the motion carries: Yeas-5, Nays-0

PREVIOUS MINUTES: The Clerk circulated a copy of the June 14th, 2017 meeting minutes to each Board Member for their review. The Supervisor called for any corrections to the previous minutes. Hearing none a motion was made by Rogalski and seconded by Marshall to approve the previous minutes as presented.

All Yeas being heard the motion carries: Yeas-5, Nays-0

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer circulated a copy of the Treasurer's report to each Board Member for their review and read it aloud. A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Gibbs to approve the Treasurer's Report in the amount of \$16,004.32 and check numbers 7971-7985.

All Yeas being heard the motion carries: Yeas-5, Nays-0

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Brush hogging at east side cemetery was completed by Mid Michigan Land and Brush Clearing for the amount of \$600.00.
- B. A resolution was passed by a roll call vote with all Board Members voting in favor of the resolution which will be sent to the County Clerk informing the Secretary of State that Gilmore Township wishes to apply for a grant to purchase a new voting system.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Low branches in the cemetery on the east side are going to be trimmed on the 29th of July. Volunteers are welcome.
- B. Road report. The ICRC has said that the road projects that are planned for the year 2017 have been delayed due to recent severe weather and the damage that has been done to Isabella County Roads. The Supervisor read a list of road closures in the county at this time.

OFFICER'S REPORTS: The Supervisor read a copy of the Assessor's report. Marshall attended the council of government meeting. Granger was there giving a report on recycling in the county. Tax bills should have been received by now also. Gibbs reported that he is attending the Isabella County Planning Commission meeting on the 13th of July.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The planning commission meeting will cover topics including solar farms and mineral extraction. Some residents expressed concerns that the gravel roads have not been repaired since the recent flooding.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Gibbs to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

All Yeas being heard the meeting was adjourned.

Thomas Gibbs, Clerk, ~~Un~~approved minutes, July 12th, 2017.

