

A regular monthly meeting of the Gilmore Township Board was held on Wednesday, May 8th, 2019 at the Gilmore Township Hall.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS: None

AGENDA: The supervisor circulated a copy of the agenda to each Board Member for their review. A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Marshall 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 April 10th, 2019 meeting minutes to each Board Member for their review. The Supervisor asked for any corrections. A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Marshall to approve the previous minutes with one minor correction.

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 and read it aloud. A motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by McConnell to approve the Treasurer's report in the amount of \$42,618.25 with check numbers 8380-8401.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Buoys for Littlefield Lake. Colleen Vogel presented an estimate to replace two buoys at the boat launch on Littlefield lake. After discussion all Board Members were in favor of contacting the DNR and checking to see if the DNR has funds available to furnish these buoys.

NEW BUSINESS: A. Resolution to MTA regarding non-partisan elections at the township level. A discussion was held on the topic of a resolution that either recommends to MTA that the Gilmore Township Board is in support of or in opposition to legislation that would allow township boards the option to have its elected offices appear as nonpartisan on the ballot. After discussion a motion was made by Rogalski and seconded by McConnell to make a resolution in opposition to township offices appearing as nonpartisan on a ballot. Resolution number 2019-5-8-1.

Roll Call Vote: McConnell-Yeas, Gibbs-Yeas, Marshall-Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Rogalski-Yeas. The motion carries.

B. Nottawa Sherman Fire Contract: After discussion a motion was made by Marshall and seconded by Gibbs to approve the fire contract with Nottawa Sherman Fire Department.

Roll Call Vote: McConnell-Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Marshall-Yeas, Gibbs-Yeas, Rogalski-Yeas. The motion carries.

C. Garbage collection fee. A discussion was held on the garbage collection fee that is charged to residential dwellings in Gilmore Township. Previous years rate was \$130 per dwelling. A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Gibbs to pass a resolution lowering the cost to \$125.00 for the current year. Resolution number 2019-5-8-2.

Roll Call Vote: Gibbs-Yeas, McConnell-Yeas, Lasher-Yeas, Marshall-Yeas, Rogalski-Yeas. The motion carries.

D. Signs placed on cemetery property. A discussion was held on the topic of signs being placed on cemetery property in the Township promoting business. All Board Members were in agreement that the placing of signs on Cemetery Property should not be allowed. The Supervisor will contact the person who placed a real estate sign on the corner and ask them to move the sign to a different location. Two signs were already located on the West Side Cemetery corner before the property was a cemetery.

E. Property available for purchase by the Township due to property tax foreclosure. Two parcels within the Township are available to the township for purchase. The Board agreed that Gilmore Township is not interested in purchasing foreclosed properties.

F. Surveys for property splits. A discussion was held on the topic of requiring persons who are requesting a property split to have the parcels surveyed beforehand. The Board is in agreement that this is not a vast problem in the township at this time. If this issue arises more often in the future then this topic will be revisited.

OFFICER'S REPORTS: Marshall stated that she will take the resolution 2019-4-10 to the County. Lasher stated that the internet will be connected to the Township Hall in the near future at a cost of \$179.00. The monthly service will be approximately \$80.00 per month. This is a necessity that has been needed for board of review meetings and elections held at the hall. McConnell had a concern

from a constituent that the recycling bin located in the Township needs to be emptied more often. Gibbs stated that the recycling bin is emptied twice weekly now and that he will request another. Gibbs stated that the Township received two permits from the DEQ regarding lake shore improvements.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Don Mink stated that he checked with the County and that the first brine application for the township roads would occur during the first week of June 2019.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Marshall to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

All Yeas being heard the meeting was adjourned.

Thomas G Gibbs, Clerk, ~~X~~unapproved minutes May 8th, 2019.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thomas G Gibbs", written in black ink.