

A regular monthly meeting of the Gilmore Township Board was held on Wednesday, August 14th, 2019 at the Gilmore Township Hall.

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:** Steve Scoville was present from the Farwell Area Schools and spoke about the upcoming millage proposal on the November ballot.

**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, Nayas-0

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** The Clerk circulated a copy of the July 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 Rogalski to approve the previous minutes as presented.

All Yeas being heard the motion carries: Yeas-5, Nayas-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 \$33,105.48 with check numbers 8430-8452.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** A. Resolution to increase the late penalty on property taxes from 2% to 3%. The Supervisor stated that the 2% late penalty for tax collection needed to be seat at 3%. After discussion a motion was made by Gibbs and seconded by McConnell to make a resolution raising the late penalty fee to 3%. Resolution number 2019-8-14.

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

B. Census insert in the 2020 tax bill notices. The Supervisor was requested to have an insert placed in the winter tax bills with information about the upcoming census in 2020. After discussion the Board decided to check on what cost were involved to the township before making a decision.

C. Surety bond for Township Treasurer. The Supervisor spoke about the County contacting him requesting that the Township Treasurer have a surety bond equal to 40% of the tax collection. The Clerk has contacted the insurance provider for the township requesting an estimate on this bond. No estimate has been provided as of yet. The County states that this cost needs to be paid by the Township. The Supervisor feels the County needs to cover the cost of the bond. The Supervisor is working on this issue.

**OFFICER'S REPORTS:** Marshall stated that tax payments that are received by her after March 1<sup>st</sup> will be returned to the taxpayer and the taxpayer will have to send the payment directly to the County. Marshall also stated that residents of the township can only have one principal resident exemption. The Supervisor stated that there have been 3 complaints of marijuana being grown in the township. Lasher will also be attending a training seminar in Big Rapids in October that is being put on by MTA. Gibbs reported that the township hall is rented out on the Saturday of Labor Day Weekend by the West View Shores association.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Grant Allen stated that the Township Cemetery looks nice.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by McConnell and seconded by Marshall to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

All Yeas being heard the meeting was adjourned.

Thomas G Gibbs, Clerk, ~~un~~approved minutes August, 14th, 2019.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marshall", is written in black ink.