

**MINUTES SILVER CREEK TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON JULY 11, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bill Saunders at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 11, 2018. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Bill Saunders, Treasurer Maureen Kuriata, Trustee Bill Zuhl and Trustee Mike Glynn.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Clerk Barb Runyon

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Treasurer Maureen Kuriata, seconded by Trustee Bill Zuhl, to approve the July 11, 2018 Agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

State Representative Dave Pagel gave a brief overview of the accomplishments during his term. He stated that Michigan is in a good spot with the budget, and answered questions from the board and public.

Brad Paquette, who is running for State Representative, gave a brief introduction and answered questions from the board and public.

Sheriff Behnke gave a brief explanation of the 911 Millage Renewal on the August 7, 2018 ballot.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Mike Glynn, seconded by Trustee Bill Zuhl, to approve the Minutes of the June 13, 2018 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIMS

Treasurer Kuriata reported the bills and claims for July 11, 2018. Trustee Mike Glynn moved, seconded by Trustee Zuhl, to approve the following bills and claims in the total amount of \$293,236.22 as follows:

FROM THE GENERAL FUND	\$ 181,835.11
FROM THE INDIAN LAKE SEWER FUND	\$ 82,072.61
FROM THE PUBLIC SAFETY FUND	\$ 7,766.47
FROM THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT FUND	\$ 13,906.52
FROM THE PARKS & RECS FUND	\$ 185.00

FROM THE INDIAN LAKE WEED CONTROL FUND	\$	5,720.51
FROM THE MAGICIAN LAKE WEED CONTROL FUND	\$	1,750.00
GRAND TOTAL OF DISBURSEMENTS:	\$	293,236.22

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

READING OF COMMUNICATION

Supervisor Bill Saunders stated that they had received a letter from Southwestern Michigan College explaining the situation with part-time employees withheld taxes.

POLICE REPORT

Deputy Wray reported: 40 complaints, 4 warnings, 0 tickets issued, 3 accident policed, 0 arrest handled, 1 assist other agency, 13 assist other police agencies, 0 in Township , 7 in City of Dowagiac, 6 County assists, 0 out of county assist, 1 assist fire and ambulance departments, 1 assist motorist & pedestrians and 20 property inspections.

HEALTH & SERVICE REPORTS

Indian Lake Fire Department: June -6 calls. Chief Huggins reported that they burnt Todd Herter's house down and were able to train over 50 firefighters from 6 different departments. He also stated that the tornado siren is down from the May 2018 storm, and will be fixed soon.

Sister Lakes Fire Department: June 6 13 calls, 5 in Silver Creek Township, with an average time of 7.2 minutes.

Pride Care: No report.

BUILDING/ZONING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Inspector Herter reported 16 building permits at a total projected cost of \$347,300.00, and three zoning permits for the month of June.

Todd Herter also stated that watching the Fire Department burn his house was a scary thing to see, and gave props to all the firefighters for doing what they do.

BLIGHT AND LIQUOR REPORT

Deputy Wray reported 5 liquor inspections with two minor violations, which have both been corrected; twelve open blight complaints; 10 new blight complaints filed in June; 10 blight issues resolved. Total time spent on blight 36.

APPEALS BOARD REPORT

Jerry Donley reported that there is nothing to report for June, but there are two requests on July 18th and one on July 24th.

PLANNING/ZONING COMMISSION REPORT

Trustee Zuhl reported that the Planning Commission held a public hearing on June 27th to amend the "Building Height" and "Height" definitions in Section 155.006 and to change the wording in Section 155.254 B from "shall be the video recording" to "shall be the written record." Trustee Zuhl stated the next meeting will be held on July 25, 2018.

STANDING INSPECTORS REPORT

No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Kuriata reported a \$359,342.86 General Fund balance and \$342,668.98 as the Indian Lake Sewer Fund balance. She also noted two new CDs from May, at an interest rate of 2.5%.

OPERATIONAL REPORTS

Indian Lake Sewer: Treasurer Kuriata reported that she was waiting to hear if the manhole covers were uncovered yet. She stated they were probably working on it now.

Sister Lakes Sewer: Treasurer Kuriata indicated there was nothing to report.

Parks and Recreation Committee: Trustee Glynn reported that the next meeting will be on July 17th at 7:00 p.m. here at the Township Hall.

Public Safety Committee: No report given.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION FOR INDIAN LAKE WEED CONTROL LINE ITEM TRANSFER

Treasurer Kuriata moved, seconded by Supervisor Saunders, to approve the Indian Lake Weed Control Line Item Transfer of \$4,909.50 Weed Harvester Fund 241-701 to Clark Hill Legal Fees 241-707.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Saunders adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Prepared by: Deputy Clerk Lindsay Krohne

Dated: July 12, 2018

To be approved: August 8, 2018

