

Allegan Township Board Meeting
May 3, 2021
7:30 PM

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Pledge and Invocation

- II. Roll Call
 - A. Supervisor Steve Schulz, Clerk Brande Gillies, Trustee Mike Bender, Trustee Jim Connell and Treasurer Jane Waanders were present.

- III. Approve Minutes of April 5, 2021
 - A. Connell/Bender made motion to approve with minutes standing approved as read.

- IV. Reports
 - A. Professional Code Inspectors (PCI) – Building Inspector
 - 1. There were three permits pulled April for new homes.
 - B. Ted Heckman, Planning Commission
 - 1. There will be a Planning Commission meeting regarding some zoning issues a week from tonight, May 10, at 7:30 PM.
 - C. Ted Heckman, Zoning Board of Appeals
 - 1. No official business to report.
 - D. Max Thiele, County Commissioner
 - 1. ORV ordinance
 - 2. The county is discussing ARP money and what stipulations may be attached to it. The county will possibly receive \$23 million from this economic stimulus. It plans to reimburse itself for funds that were spent to help the health department during Covid. They are considering using it for either broadband or water quality supply.
 - 3. Thiele asked Connell about the animal shelter and how things are going. Connell reported that the population of animals there is less, and that the numbers of adoptions are up. The new director is doing a good job. Connell expressed frustration over the fact that donations given specifically for the animal shelter still have to be approved by county administration, which causes a delay in those funds being able to be used.
 - E. Linda Teeter/Marge Baker, Allegan County Legal Assistance
 - 1. Baker thanked the township for their financial support.
 - 2. This is their ninth year of operating, with over 19,000 people helped. They are now open on Friday due to more funding. They have helped 80 Allegan Township residents so far this year.
 - 3. They currently have three part-time employees, and hope to expand more.

4. Due to new relaxed laws, there is a rise in people seeking to have criminal records expunged.
5. They average 12-15 people per day, and had 125 volunteer hours last month. Other townships are joining and contributing.

V. Public Comment

- A. None.

VI. Old Business

- A. Update on 25th and 123rd Road Reconstruction
 1. They have started on this project, have removed trees, and are moving dirt.
- B. School Election Reminder
 1. Reminder to come vote on May 4, 2021.

VII. New Business

- A. Well Head Protection Update
 1. The Planning Commission has been talking regarding city wells. Where does the city water come from, and what comes through the surface? Would the township be willing to put something in place to help protect the water? This is something to consider for conservation and good stewardship.
- B. Gypsy Moth Control Update
 1. There is a small reinfestation in the township, in the northwestern corner.
 2. The township ordered moth-egg parasites on patches that go on trees. The second round is being mailed out, and there will be a third round.
 3. This is the first time in approximately 15 years that this has been an issue.

VIII. Pay Bills

- A. General Fund
 1. \$5,749.01 was presented for payment.
 2. Waanders/Connell made motion to approve all bills, which passed unanimously following roll call.

IX. Correspondence

- A. None.

X. Adjourn

- A. Waanders/Bender made motion to adjourn with meeting closing at 8:18 PM.