

**Reading Township
Regular Meeting
Monday, September 12, 2022**

The regular meeting was called to Order by Supervisor Allan Andrews at 7:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Flaugher, Andrews, Gripman, Parker and Mesarosh present.

GUESTS: Adam Mesarosh, Brad Wright, Linda Burcewicz, Larry Richards, Fred Bockelman, Doug Tripp, Ken McClellan, Chris Clabaugh, Phyllis Newell, Kathy Mikolajczyk, Gretchen Oberdick, Matt Mapes, Beth Mapes, Beth Mapes, Dusty Foust, Don Tift, David Burke, and. Harold Farris.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Mesarosh moved, Flaugher seconded to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2022, regular meeting. Motion Carried (5-0)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

David Burke, CPD designer for the Township parking lot drive approach showed the board the preliminary plans for the project and asked if we had any questions. He has been in contact with MDOT and should have the plans ready by the end of the month for sending out for bids.

Chris Clabaugh is asking the board what is needed for him to build a pole barn to sell animal feed at his residence? Mr. Farris is waiting for a return call from Mr. Thompson, Township Attorney, and Mr. Andrews will also follow up with Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Foust is checking in on the progress of the Wildwood Rd work to be done by the Hillsdale County Road Commission.

Mr. Tift asked if the new mileage was passed at the last election? He also commented on the quality of work from the Hillsdale County Road Commission.

COUNTY COMMISSION: None

ROAD COMMISSION: None

CEMETERY: None

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Gripman mentioned at the last fire board meeting held on August 10, 2022, there was a discussion about getting money from the ARPA grant and that the fire department is still having issues with the Montgomery Fire Department.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Harold Farris spoke on his August monthly report as he didn't have it printed out. He reported the Hillsdale County court system is way behind.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Mesarosh reminded the next Planning Commission meeting will be held on October 17, 2022, at 7:00 pm.

LIBRARY BOARD:

Mesarosh reported the next Library meeting will be September 27, 2022, at 9:00 AM at the library. The proposed meeting minutes from the July 26, 2022, meeting were handed out.

OLD BUSINESS:

CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND / AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE:

Mr. David Burke spoke on the update of the parking lot drive approach. The Fire Department has no update on the order. Andrews reported a storage container to use at the transfer station for storage of used tires has been placed. Dr. Mascot is happy with the container but had concern about the trash laying around. Andrews will be checking with the schools and the courts to see if we can get some volunteers to help with the cleanup. Mr. Tift has some barb wire fence for the repair/replacement of the broken fence.

NEW BUSINESS:

Payment of September’s Bills and Payments:

- Flaughner moved, Gripman seconded to approve payment of the September’s bills and payments in the amount of \$2,064.59. Roll Call: Gripman–Yes, Parker-yes, Mesarosh–Yes, Flaughner-Yes, Andrews -Yes. Motion Carried (5-0)

Re-appointments to the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals:

- Flaughner moved, Gripman seconded to approve the re-appointment of Jennifer Kast and Claudia Mesarosh to the Planning Commission with the term ending 8/31/2025, and Chris Clabaugh, alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals with the term ending 8/31/2025. Motion Carried (5-0)

Republic Waste Contract:

- Flaughner moved, Parker seconded to approve the service contract from Republic Services for containers placed at the transfer station, ending October 2025. Roll Call: Mesarosh–Yes, Flaughner-Yes, Gripman–Yes, Parker-yes, Andrews -Yes. Motion Carried (5-0)

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Michigan Gas Utilities Franchise Agreement
November’s election Public Accuracy test and Election Commission meeting
Kimball Point

OTHER BUSINESS:

BOARD COMMENT:

Mesarosh reported the last day to pay 2022 Summer taxes is Wednesday, September14, 2022, in which she will be collecting at the township hall from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Flaughner is checking into the invoice amount from the HCRC for the limestone project.
Andrews reported the next Hillsdale County MTA meeting will be in November.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Next Regular Meeting will be October 10, 2022, at 7:00 pm.

-Flaughner moved and Gripman seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried (5-0)

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Allan Andrews, Reading Township Supervisor

Kathy Flaughner, Reading Township Clerk