

# CEDAR TOWNSHIP

## MINUTES

October 18, 2022

The meeting was called to order at Cedar Township Hall at 7:00 p.m., 9115 170<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Reed City, Michigan. Board members present: Supervisor Loren Stieg, Treasurer Heather Battle, Deputy Treasurer Jean Schember, Clerk Shirley Apsey, Deputy Clerk Cindy Gadbois, Trustee Ed Lundborg and Trustee Mary Clark. Also present, residents Tim Schember, Doug Lockhart, Greg Thompson, Renee Cubitt, and assessor James Nienhuis. Supervisor calls meeting to order. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

- Motion to approve September, 2022 meeting minutes as presented made by Heather and seconded by Cindy. All members voting yes.
- Treasurer's Report presented by Heather; accepted by Mary, seconded by Jean. Report placed on file.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Received email from Lincoln Township Clerk, Sherry Blackrick, on requesting information needed per our Insurance requests, before board will sign the new fire contract. A "Hold Harmless" clause was sent plus copy of their insurance policy as requested. Loren will contact Lincoln to make sure that the contract will be retroactive back to the original contract date.

Michigan State Treasury audit letter that was requesting back payment for unpaid state taxes, was responded to by our auditors, Baird and Cotter. Shirley received email response back from State Treasury stating, upon receiving our information, this inquiry has been resolved.

Also, township bookkeeping and accounting software, thru Quickbooks, is due for yearly renewal, due November 21, 2022.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Received letter from Osceola County Road Commissioner, Mike Matzella, on options/pricing for gravel on a mile section of 9 Mile Rd. Crushed concrete gravel is available for \$12.00/ton. There would be no cost for spreading it. Total cost would be \$30,000.00. Regular gravel would not be available till next summer. Price would be \$7.50/ton. After discussion, board feels the crushed concrete would be better grade and hold up better. Ed will contact Mike Matzella with board's decision.

Mercury light over hall front door still needs to be fixed. Still looking for help to come and fix light.

Craig and Renee Cubitt, addressed board again about establishing a mega truck race track off of 10 mile road, west. They presented board with information sheet on their ideas, costs, and overall expectations and desires to get this motorsports park established. Board is concerned that the township residents need to approve this and express their feelings on this. Board discussed sending out flyers to the local neighbors in a one-mile radius around the property they are looking at to get their input on what they think. Depending on responses, board will then see about setting up a special meeting for the township to meet and ask questions. Board does not feel they, alone, can determine if this should be allowed in our township. Jean will contact County about our options and get names of the neighbors to send survey out to.

**Bills were presented for approval; moved by Mary; seconded by Ed to accept checks 7602--7607.**

- **Motion was made by Mary and seconded by Jean to adjourn the meeting, all members voting yes**

**Shirley Apsey, Clerk**

**8:00 p.m.**