

KEENE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

March 12, 2019

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Robert Simpson with flag salute at 7:02pm.

Board members present: Robert Simpson, Corey Wojick, Harvey Noon Kara Albert and Nancy Feuerstein

Guest present: Bradley Potter, Laurie Larsen, Jeanne Vanderslot, Ken Gasper, Roger Meyer, Nick Gnuse, Becky Gnuse, Robert Milano, Mike Kennedy, Jessica Supplee, Charles Perdock, Paul Spitzley and Dan Briggs

Motion by Corey to accept last month's minutes. Harvey seconded.

Kara gave treasurer report.

Nancy gave clerks report. Election in May for Kent County ISD. Boston Township will have at the township hall. Nancy will be working there.

Motion made by Corey to pay bills and seconded by Kara. Passed.

Jeanne gave zoning:

No zoning permits for the last month. Planning Commission meant on February 5th. Working on developing a Windmill Ordinance.

Paul Spitzley spoke for the Road Commission.

1. Keeping roads cleaned off.
2. Gravel Roads are in bad shape.
3. Ellison Road is a priority road and will be repaved from Chickering Road to Zahm Road.
4. Sidewalks for Whitesbridge Project.
5. 8 miles will get gravel on roads.
6. Trimming tree limbs from ice storm.
7. Brush control, County will be trimming and spraying

Motion made by Corey to nominate Robert Milano to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Harvey. Passed.

Laurie gave report the Cemetery Committee. Markers have been ordered. A survey will be done in April.

Laurie and Shirley Briggs have been working together, they are comparing what's on the curtain shade and what's in the cemetery. They will be giving Boston Historical, Lowell Historical and Keene Township will have a digital copy, when completed.

Trash Day has been moved to May 18, 2019

Robert spoke about recreational marijuana. We will table to next month's meeting. Robert said market value has gone up for homes. Robert spoke about the new budget for the next year. He explained where some of the cost are:

Belding Fire Department- 3 year contract. The township is responsible for \$5500.00. There is 1% increase yearly.

Saranac Fire Department (has 5 twps). The township is responsible for 14.8% of operating budget, our share is \$24000.00 per year. Capital budget for the next year is:

Boots, breathing equipment, coats and service inspections.

Mike Kennedy and Jessica Supplee spoke about Medical marijuana. They would like to start a business for commercial Medical marijuana, class A up to 500 plants. The business would be on Mike Kennedy's property. They would have security cameras and would be tracking of seeds to sell of product. Mike said there would be tax benefits for the township also. No decision made, will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Motion to adjourn at 8:57pm. Passed