

RIVES TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING  
February 8, 2018  
RIVES TOWNSHIP OFFICE  
348 E Main Street, Rives Junction, MI 49277

Call to order – 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Jerry Adams, Clerk Judith McCord, Treasurer Janina Teske, Trustees Cliff Herl and Wendy Culver

Staff Present: Tom Cottrell, Brian DeRaedt, Will Ellis, Coleman Deconick, Dwight Carmer

### **AGENDA**

**Motion by Herl supported by Culver to approve agenda as presented. All Ayes – Motion Carried.**

### **MINUTES**

**Motion by Culver supported by Herl to approve the January 11, 2018 Board Meeting minutes. All Ayes – Motion Carried.**

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Fire Dept – Bryon Deraedt will be announcing the new captain on Monday  
Zoning Dept – Tom Cottrell updated the board on legal cases.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** – Given

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

6:07 p.m. – 6:07 p.m. with (1) person commenting.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

**Motion by Adams supported by Teske to appoint Kelly Holmes as Board of Review member. Roll Call: Herl Yes, Culver Yes, Adams Yes, Teske Yes, McCord Yes; All Ayes – Motion Carried.**

**Motion by Adams supported by Herl to appoint Walt Luck as Planning Commission member. Roll Call: McCord Yes, Teske Yes, Adams Yes, Culver Yes, Herl Yes; All Ayes – Motion Carried.**

**Motion by Adams supported by McCord to appoint Brian Phillips as Planning Commission Alternate. Roll Call: Herl Yes, Culver Yes, Adams Yes, Teske Yes, McCord Yes; All Ayes – Motion Carried.**

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Sarah Lightner – In County positions available; Fair Tickets on Sale; Mar. 10, Beer Fest Tickets available 12-5 PM; Feb 18, Chili Cookoff; March 2 & 3 Flea Market. Support for Seniors and Low Income less than \$50,000 for income tax preparation.

Judi McCord – USDA Bond payment is due in the amount of \$30,740.78 on April 1, 2018, Seventh Day Adventist Church will be in the area delivering free religious literature. Increase for inspector fees

with an increase in permit fees. Make a difference: become a Conservation Steward info will be placed on our website. (this has been cancelled)

**Motion by McCord supported by Culver to approve up to \$375.00 for the cost of a new paper shredder for the office. Roll Call: Herl Yes, Culver Yes, Teske Yes, McCord Yes, Adams Yes; All Ayes – Motion Carried.**

Wendy Culver – requesting assistance in creating job descriptions for all positions in the township, and each committee.

Cliff Herl – Planning Commission update: Master Plan has been turned over to the board; Zoning Map changes coming; Ordinance needed for Storage Containers; Zoning Map hangers have been installed. Planning Commission Annual Report has been completed. Work has started on Capital Improvement Plan.

Jerry Adams – Work in progress with the remaining railroad crossings with Mark Dobronski, and a meeting with Jackson County Department of Transportation within the next two weeks to discuss projects for FY 18/19. Federal money is again available and JCDT is working hard to help with our roads.

#### **BILLS / PAYROLL**

**Motion by Adams supported by McCord to approve Payroll checks 31008 - 31016, Direct Deposit 520-536; Warrants: 82501-82522. Roll Call: Herl Yes, Culver Yes, Adams Yes, Teske Yes, McCord Yes – Motion Carried.**

#### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned 7:19 pm.

Submitted by Judi McCord, Clerk Rives Township Board