

## WRIGHT TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2020, 7:30 P.M.

Via Teleconference

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1. The Regular Board meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m. by Supervisor Westgate remotely via teleconference due to restrictions on public gatherings during the covid-19 crisis. Board members present roll call: Josh Westgate, Nancy Hopper, Maureen Carmody, Rick Schoenborn. Gary Karr joined the conference call at 7:43 p.m.
2. There were no additions to the agenda.
3. A motion was made by Schoenborn and supported by Carmody to approve the April 2020 bills in the amount of \$79,210.32 and to accept the Treasurer's report. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Carmody, Hopper, Schoenborn, Westgate Nays: None. Absent: Karr. Motion carried. A motion was made by Hopper and supported by Schoenborn to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2020 Regular Board meeting. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Westgate, Schoenborn, Hopper, Carmody. Nays: None. Absent: Karr. Motion carried.
4. There were no public comments.
5. A motion was made by Carmody and supported by Hopper to adopt Resolution 20-05-01-Sewer Service Charges Set by Township Board for Residential, Commercial & Industrial Customers & Adjustments for Certain Customers. A request was received from TIA Corporation to reduce sewer REUs for property located at 15140 16<sup>th</sup> Ave. as the building is now vacant. REU adjustments of 50 REUs were adopted by the Wright Township Board, effective May 13, 2020. A roll vote was taken. Ayes: Schoenborn, Hopper, Westgate, Carmody. Nays: None. Absent: Karr. The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.
6. Westgate gave the Fire report. There were in 82 calls in April. Carmody stated that Planning Commission meetings will be resumed via video conferencing. There is a Planning Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, May 18, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. Information on how to access the meetings will be posted outside the office building and also on the Township website. Carmody gave an update regarding the special election on May 5, 2020. There was a 27 percent voter participation, mostly via absentee ballot by mail. The County is planning to mail an absentee ballot application to every voter in Ottawa county for the August 4, 2020 primary. It will be in a postcard format, and voters must submit an application for an absentee ballot to the local clerk in order to be mailed a ballot. While applications are forwardable mail, ballots CANNOT be forwarded, so it is critical that voters provide a valid mailing address when submitting an application for an absentee ballot. Applications can be returned via US postal mail, or they can be deposited in the Township drop box at 1565 Jackson St. Marne, 49435.
7. Supervisor Westgate reported that the Marne Fest and Memorial Day parade have been cancelled. There may be a festival scheduled later in the year if restrictions are lifted. He also stated that the first application of dust control will be applied to area gravel roads next week.
8. There were no board concerns.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Maureen Carmody  
Wright Township Clerk