

SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

September 12, 2017



Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present: Mongreig, Scott, Ulsh, Feldmeier and Hovenkamp.

Approval of Agenda Motion by Hovenkamp with second by Feldmeier to approve the **Agenda**.
Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Ulsh second by Scott to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2017 meeting as presented. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Motion by Feldmeier with second by Scott to approve the **List of Bills** for payment.
Motion carried 5-0.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Scott reported the following for the month of July 2017:

Income	\$ 87,675.92
Expenditures	\$ 30,579.81
July 31, 2017 General Fund Balance	<u>\$ 394,130.84</u>
August 31, 2017 General Fund Balance	\$ 337,034.73

Motion by Feldmeier with second by Mongreig to approve the Treasurer's report.

Motion carried 5-0.

Citizen Time: Jack Wiley Jr. inquired as to a variance request that went to the Zoning Board of Appeals September 7, 2017. Supervisor Ulsh referred Mr. Wiley to the decision of the Zoning Board that Zoning Administrator Christine Hamilton will be following up with the property owners who submitted the application.

Approximately 15 citizens expressed dislike of the cemetery rules update of May 2017.

Paper City Development L.L.C.: Jackie Koning of Paper City Development L.L.C. and Lisa Phillips of Phillips Environmental Consulting Services presented a power point program of the Transformational Brownfield Plan Timeline of the former Vicksburg Paper Mill.

Motion by Feldmeier with second by Hovenkamp adopt a **Resolution in Support of pursuing a Transformational Brownfield Plan for the Former Vicksburg Paper Mill.**

Roll Call Vote:

Feldmeier -y, Hovenkamp -y, Mongreig -y, Scott -y, and Ulsh -y. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Planning Commission Report: Member Feldmeier Reported that they have reviewed the City of Portage Urban Chicken Ordinance which was adopted in 2011. The Planning Commission is considering up to 6 chickens or ducks in the R-1 and R-2, Single Family Residential District. Motion by Mongreig with second by Feldmeier to approve Planning Commission recommendation to submit information to Schoolcraft Township Attorney for review. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Zoning Board of Appeals Report: A variance request to construct an accessory building on an illegal – nonconforming lot was tabled.

Motion by Scott with second by Hovenkamp to grant Zoning Administrator Chris Hamilton authority to oversee the development of a temporary private road to replace the (lane) on the Wiley Property at XY Avenue. **Motion carried 5-0.**

The Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission will be reviewing information concerning permanent private roads.

Ryan LaPorte reported on mowing and projects in **Swan Park**.

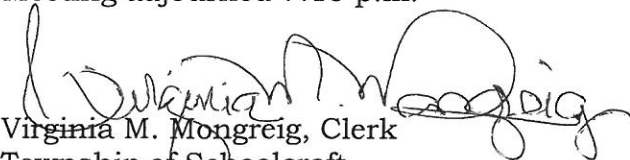
South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority member Hovenkamp announced that the authority has implemented a Chaplin, Reverend Gregory P. Culver, for South County.

South County Sewer & Water – Supervisor Ulsh reported of increased interest from the Village of Schoolcraft for sewer and water in the US131 Corridor.

Motion by Ulsh with second by Feldmeier to reject the Kalamazoo County offer of two properties up for tax sale and unclaimed. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Harriett Swartz of the Schoolcraft Historical Society thanked Schoolcraft Township for their Capital Campaign contribution.

Meeting adjourned 7:15 p.m.


Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk
Township of Schoolcraft