

Newfield Township

3890 198<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Hesperia, Michigan 49421

March 15, 2022—7:00 p.m.

In anticipation of a large crowd the meeting was held at the Hesperia High School Cafeteria.

The meeting was called to order by Joan David, Supervisor. The pledge was stated. A roll call was taken: Rick Roberson, John Clark, Amanda Hunter, Joan David, and Nancy Conley were present.

Joan went thru the rules of conduct for the meeting

Public Comments on agenda items:

Several people spoke on public comments.

Rick Roberson made a motion to approve the Agenda. John Clark seconded it. The motion carried.

John Clark made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes. Rick Roberson seconded it the motion carried.

The Joan David made a motion to amend the budget line 171-000-000 \$120.00 on an overage. Amanda Hunter seconded t. The motion carried.

Amanda Hunter made a motion to approve the bills checks #14421 – 14450 which includes two EFTS for \$2755.88 for a total of \$13,618.82. John Clark seconded it. The motion carried.

Correspondence-

A letter on change of status from Charter Communications and one from Republic Services.

Supervisors Report –

Joan had letters to share in correspondence from residents concerned over the Cannabis grows and their views.

Unfinished Business:

Nancy gave an update on the Recycle Grant. We are in a second phase getting quotes on the actual work and supply costs. We will have everything ready to go by March 30th to file. Hope we find something out by the end of April!

New Business

Naomi Oomen gave an overview of the process and her role in the upcoming Recall election on May 3, 2022. She is the Clerk for Leavitt township. She has been asked by the County Clerk in Hart to oversee this election. A new white drop box has been installed on the outside of the Newfield Township hall right under our regular drop box for all election related mailings. This includes absentee ballot requests and ballots themselves. She has access to this and will be checking it regularly.

Naomi along with our treasurer Amanda make up the local Election Commission. In doing so they came up with the election workers who will be working the May 3<sup>rd</sup>, election. The chair options : Ann Abbot(R), Deb Oomen (D). The others are Hannah Fessenden (D), Kim Hill (D), Abigail Hill (R), and Lily Parker (R).

The budget was approved and adopted at the Budget hearing.

Joan came up with a new Blight Ordinance form.

At this time the grows presented their site plans etc. to the board. Kyle from RQMI/Oceana GardensII presented the plans for a grow on 176<sup>th</sup> Avenue. After his presentation there was a question and answer time with the board and then the public. They are asking for 18 Class C. Permits, and 1 Processing.

Preeminent Labs was up next. They made their presentation to the board . A lawyer and the owner gave the presentation. A question and answer period followed. They are asking for 2 Class C permits. The property is located at 7400 M-20, Hesperia. Michigan.

The third presentation was by CGCCLLC on the property at 5703 E. Loop Road, Hesperia, Michigan. The owner Charles Bronkema did the presentation. They are asking for 2 Class C Permits. A question and answer period followed. Charles is not purchasing his property at this time but is in a leasing situation for year with the owners still living in the house on the property.

The Planning Commission at their meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 voted to make the following recommendation to the Newfield Township Board: 1. To approve RQMI/Oceana Gardens II for (18) Class C. permits and 1 Processing permit at the 176<sup>th</sup> Ave. location south of Zimmer Road.2. To approve Preeminent Lab. (2 ) Class C permits at their location on 7400 E. M-20. 3. To approve CGCC/Charles Bronkema (2) Class C permits at 5703 E. Loop Road.

Upon reviewing the applications and the recommendations of the Planning Commission , the board has 18 Class C Permits left to distribute. Rick Roberson made a motion to approve RQMI/Oceana Gardens II Application for 18 Permits plus 1 processing permit. A roll call vote was taken: John Clark –yes, Amanda Hunter –no, Joan David-yes, Nancy Conley-yes, Rick Roberson –Yes. The motion carried 4 to 1. The two others rejected because all 18 Class C permits available out of the 50 total were given to RQMI/Oceana Gardens II.

Amanda Hunter presented and a re newel on our antivirus software with DMC Unlimited . It amounts to a \$38.70 monthly fee with a \$79.00 yearly re newel . Nancy Conley made a motion to go ahead with it. Amanda seconded it. The motion carried.

Amanda made a motion to buy a remote desktop access software. She received two quotes one from DMC at \$5.00 per month to be billed annually and the other from a company called Splash top for \$60.00 annually. Amanda explained how it would work. It is often used in a work from home situation. Joan David seconded it. The motion carried.

Joan made a motion to go with a two step Brinning with Michigan Chloride for our roads for this next summer. John Clark seconded it. The motion carried. Joan and Nancy will sign the contracts and Joan will get them to Hart.

Joan presented the Road Estimates given to us by the county for 6 roads we proposed to the Oceana County Road Commission. She reread each road , the Final Cost and the Township Cost and the source of revenue for the payment. She called for a roll call vote on each one.

1. Joan David made a motion to do work on Riverview Dr (M20-South to Hawley) Chip seal, fog seal, durapatch /final Cost \$14,030.65 – Township Cost -\$10,780.00 –ARPA Funds . John Clark seconded it. VOTE: John Clark yes- Rick Roberson yes- Nancy Conley yes-Amanda Hunter yes- Joan David yes. The motion carried.
2. Joan David made a motion to do work on Lakeview Dr. around High Tower Lake- Crush,shape and leave gravel 5250' Final Cost \$14,124-Twp. Cost \$13,200.00-ARPA Funds. Rick Roberson seconded it. VOTE: John Clark yes, Amanda Hunter yes , Rick Roberson yes, Joan David, yes, Nancy Conley yes. The motion carried.
3. Joan David made a motion to do work on Loop- 192<sup>nd</sup> to The Village Limits-chip seal, fog seal, durapatch and wedging 7833'x22' Final Cost-\$116,854.00 Twp Cost - \$50,512.00-- Township Road funds. Rick Roberson seconded it. VOTE: John Clark yes, Amanda Hunter yes, Rick Roberson yes, Joan David yes, Nancy Conley yes. The motion carried.
4. Joan David made a motion to do work 176<sup>th</sup> Ave from Loop Road to Zimmer Road -5280' chip seal, fog seal/500'of wedging-Final cost \$66,797.18- Twp. Cost \$58,850.00.-- Cannabis Funds. John Clark seconded it. VOTE: Joan David yes, Amanda Hunter no, John Clark yes, Rick Roberson yes, Nancy Conley yes. The motion carried 4 to 1.
5. Joan David made a motion to do work on 200<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Pierce Road South to Baker) thru curve- Crush and shape 22'x 10,300'-Final Cost \$464,615.10- Twp Cost \$397,749.00--- Cannabis funds. John Clark seconded it. VOTE: John Clark yes, Nancy Conley yes, Joan David yes, Amanda Hunter no, Rick Roberson yes. The motion carried 4 to 1.
6. Joan David made a motion to do work on Hawley St (Riverview Dr. to the village limits)--chip seal, fog seal, durapatch/Final Cost \$35,000- \$40,000 Twp. Cost -0-- Oceana County Road Commission. John Clark seconded it. VOTE John Clark yes, Rick Roberson yes, Joan David yes, Amanda Hunter yes, Nancy Conley yes. The motion carried.

There will be 2 brining applications for approx. \$17,000.The final cost of this roadwork is \$714,420.93. The Township Cost of this roadwork is \$548,091.00. Nancy and Joan will sign the contracts and get them to Hart.

Reports Planning Comm- Next meeting will be April 14<sup>th</sup>.2022

Zoning – Steve handed out his monthly report. He also informed us that three New Homes have pulled permits already this year.

Public Comments

Several people gave public comments .Nancy Conley gave a public comment.

Rick made a motion to adjourn, seconded by John Clark. The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

Nancy Conley

Newfield Township Clerk

