

**APPROVED MINUTES
COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
COLDSPRINGS TOWNSHIP HALL-COUNTY ROAD 571
MONDAY MARCH 11, 2019, 7:00 P.M.**

Supervisor Hoffman called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all. Board members present at roll call were Supervisor Hoffman, Clerk Collins, Treasurer Smith, Trustee Schaller, and absent Trustee Malott. Six members of the public were present also Deputy Brian Peacock.

Adoption of the Agenda: A **Motion** by Schaller to adopt the agenda as presented. **Supported** by Smith. All in favor Motion Carried.

Establish any conflict of interest of items that are on the agenda:

None were presented.

Approval of Minutes from the February 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting: **Motion** by Hoffmann to approve the Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. **Supported** by Smith. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Correspondence was reviewed:

The clerk received two Public Service Commission notice's from both Consumers and DTE on upcoming meetings. These are on file in the clerks' office. Also received a withdrawal of a DEQ permit. This is on file with the clerk. The clerk wanted to let everyone know that the trash labels that were sent out were dated incorrectly but they will be valid for the 2019 season they have red numbers printed on them and they will be picked up. Please dispose of the blue numbered tags as these are invalid. This was a printer error. Clerk also reported that the furnace in the Township hall needed to be repaired. The technician suggested that we consider a new furnace in the near future. The clerk also received a letter drawn up by our Township Attorney Michael T. Edwards on behalf of the Township:

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February 26, 2019

Mr. Kohn Fisher, Chair
Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners
605 N. Birch Street
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Re: Kalkaska County Point of Sale Sanitary Code Requirements.

Dear Mr. Chairman and Board of Commissioners:

I author this letter on behalf of Coldsprings Township. The Township understands that the Board of Commissioners is considering repealing the Point of Sale septic provisions that supplemented the District 10 Health Department Health Code. As you are aware, this ordinance requires inspection and correction of inadequate or failing septic systems at the time a property owner sells their home. Coldsprings Township desires to formally express its opposition to repealing any part of the Kalkaska County Sanitary Code, especially the Point of Sale provisions.

Coldsprings Township has a vested interest in keeping its lands and waters pollution free. As you may be aware, Coldsprings Township derives its name from the natural underground springs located throughout the Township, which also feed many of the clear trout designated lakes in our area. Coldsprings has 1.9 square miles of water, including Manistee Lake, which is a major recreational attraction for fishing and water enthusiasts. As such, pollution free land and water is extremely important, not only to the eco-system of the County, but also to the health and welfare of our residents. Moreover, repealing the Point of Sale provisions would undoubtedly have a significant negative financial impact to the local economy, as visitors will not spend their time and money in an area that is polluted. As such, on behalf of Coldsprings Township, I request the Board of Commissioners give Coldsprings Township's position serious consideration and decline to repeal the Point of Sale Ordinance.

Very truly yours,

Michael T. Edwards
Attorney at Law

Assessor's report:

March, 2019 Assessor's Report to Coldsprings Township Board:

Extremely busy time of year with March Board of Review coming up. I have been preparing the necessary studies and applying them to the Assessment Roll to complete the 2019 Roll and get them sent off to KCI. Everything has went pretty smooth, it's just a lot of work. As mentioned Board of Review is this month so it will stay busy all month until about mid April. This concludes my report.

Sincerely,

Mark Johnson
Coldsprings Township Assessor

Committee Reports:

- (A) Planning & Maintenance – Trustee Schaller reported that he will be obtaining some estimates for a new tractor to replace the old John Deere riding tractor. He will present those estimates at next month's meeting. An electric heater was installed at the park to help keep the new camera system warm. In the spring we will add some insulation to help with keeping this area warmer. The dock for Sands Park is being modified and will be delivered back here for the spring install. This should make it easier for people to use with it being lower. During this next summer we hope to have the rest of the posts replaced in the park. Next fall we will be addressing the trees that have died as a result of oak wilt disease. Please mark your calendar for the annual Park clean-up which will be on May 18, 2019 we could use some help with the clean-up. Watch for more information to come next month. Clerk Collins asked trustee Schaller if he could please look into purchasing a new flag for the Township flag pole the one that's up there seems to have ripped and is in need of replacing. It was suggested for the Trustee Schaller to contact the VFW to purchase a new flag.
- (B) Fire Board – Supervisor Hoffman presented the minutes for the March 6, 2019 Fire Board Meeting and it showed that there were 8 Fire runs and 8 Rescue runs for the month of February. Frederic ALS had 20 calls, 10 transported to Kalkaska, 6 to Munson, 3 to Grayling, and 1 inter-facility transfers. A complete copy of the minutes are on file in the clerks' office.
- (C) Road Commissioners Meeting – Supervisor Hoffman stated that he had nothing to report.
- (D) Sheriff Department – Officer Brian Peacock is our Township liaison please contact the Township with any ordinance violations and officer Peacock will be notified. Or call 231-258-3350 to leave a message for Officer Brian Peacock. Officer Peacock stated that he handled 1 Civil complaint, 0 Township Ordinance, 9 Property checks, 0 Misdemeanors, and 0 Felony for the month of January. A copy of Officer Peacock's report is on file in the Clerks' office.
- (E) County Commissioner – Leigh Ngirarsaol reported that there will be an informational meeting on the Kaliseum held on April 3, 2019 please call Kalkaska County with any further questions. The Septic ordinance is now in the hands of the Health Department and will be discussed on April 26, 2019 at 9:00a.m. in Cadillac please contact the Health Department for further information.
- (F) Hospital Board – Supervisor Hoffman stated everything is going good at the hospital and the construction is on time.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Smith presented the monthly reconciliation report for the month ending February 28, 2019. The report showed that there was \$327,431.42 in the various Bank accounts, \$10.07 in the Forest Area Federal CU, \$10,729.56 in the Building Fund at Chemical Bank, and \$622,541.42 in the Tax account at Chemical Bank and \$200.00 in the Cash on hand Fund. A **Motion** by Collins to accept the Treasurer's report as presented **Supported** by Schaller. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC INPUT ON BUSINESS ITEM (as listed on the agenda): 7:26 No input was heard.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

(A) Approve and make necessary budget amendments- Clerk Collins presented the budget and the necessary adjustments that needed to be made. Three income adjustments were needed. A **Motion** by Schaller to have the clerk make the necessary adjustments to the budget. **Supported** by Smith. All in favor. Motion Carried.

(B) Approve wage resolutions – A **Motion** by Hoffman to approve resolution #2 of 2019 for an increase in the clerks' salary of \$1,107.55 for the year. **Supported** by Smith. A **Motion** by Hoffman to approve resolution #3 of 2019 for an increase in the treasurers' salary of \$1,130.59 for the year. **Supported** by Collins. A **Motion** by Schaller to approve resolution #4 for an increase in the Supervisors' salary of \$735.90 for the year. **Supported** by Smith. A **Motion** by Smith to approve resolution #5 of 2019 for an increase in the Trustees' salary of \$175.43 for the year. **Supported** by Collins. A Roll call vote was taken on all wage resolutions Hoffman, yes, Schaller, yes, Smith, yes, Collins, yes, Malott, absent. Motion carried.

(C) Adopt 2019-2020 Cost Center Budget by Resolution – A **Motion** by Collins to Adopt the 2019-2020 Cost Center Budget by Resolution #6. **Supported** by Schaller. All in favor. Motion Carried.

(D) Approve payment of BOR Members before next meeting- A **Motion** by Collins to pay BOR Members before our next meeting. **Supported** by Schaller. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Approval of Bills:

Bills were reviewed. The total of bills to be paid is \$133,821.71 including Fire Department payouts and paying BOR. A **Motion** by Smith to approve paying the bills as presented. **Supported** by Hoffman. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: Started at – 7:38 No Public comments were heard

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. by Smith. **Supported** by Hoffman. All in Favor.

Cheryl Collins
Coldsprings Township Clerk