

**Bridgehampton Township Regular Meeting  
March 18, 2020 7 PM**

Regular meeting for March 18, 2020 was held at Bridgehampton Township Hall Carsonville, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 07:04 PM by Sonck, welcome, followed by The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call by Sonck, present were: Innes, McCarty, Hewitt, Kelly, and Sonck.

Motion by Hewitt to accept the Agenda as presented, supported by Innes. All Ayes

Motion by Hewitt to accept the February 12, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented, supported by McCarty. All Ayes

Assessor Report: None

County Commissioner's Report: Absent

Z. Administrator Report: Absent

Innes read the Treasurer's report into record as of February 29, 2020. General Fund account balance \$2,113.73, Investment account balance \$92,353.17, Tax Checking account balance \$17,678.84, Tax Savings account balance \$140,700.96. The balance difference in the General fund and Investment account from February 28, 2019 to February 29, 2020 is +\$1,054.50. Motion by McCarty to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, supported by Kelly. All Ayes

Public Comment: None

Sonck opened the Budget Hearing at 7:07 PM. Increases to the budget were for Utilities, Parking Lot & Well, Board of Review Training, and Drains at Large. Much discussion was had regarding a Fire Millage and a Drains At Large Assessment. The township can't afford to take another \$20,000 out of the Investment Savings to cover all the digging the Sanilac County Drain Commissioner is doing in the township. The 2020-2021 Proposed Budget has a total expenses at \$189,700 and total receivables of \$142,601. Motion by Innes to close the Budget Hearing at 7:27 PM, supported by Hewitt. All Ayes

Communications Received: McCarty received a certified letter from Commissioner Conely where he had detailed responses from her complaints at the January 7, 2020 Sanilac County Board of Commissioner's Meeting. Conely said according to Commissioner Heberling and Drain Commissioner Alexander, the Township Board asked for BMJ Engineering to be placed in charge of the Sweet Extension Drain Project, which added \$4,000 to the project. McCarty records all meetings, that claim is false! Mr. Conely claims to have a receipt for the tree removal in a fence row outside of the Sweet Extension Drain right of way, paid by the land owner, at the same time work was being done on the drain. Unless a cleared bank draft is present that shows where funds changed hands, his receipt means nothing. Conely also claimed McCarty's \$60,000 claim for the Sweet Extension Drain work was false and it was closer to \$20,000. McCarty was at the Drain Office on April 24, 2019 to obtain the bids for the Sweet Extension Drain Project, which were not made available to her, but she did record Angela Kramer stating that the 1 bid for the project was \$55,664.00 plus \$4,000 for BMJ Engineering, which would total \$59,664.00. There were other claims in the certified mail that McCarty couldn't recall.

McCarty also had correspondence with the County Clerk about the May 5<sup>th</sup> Special Elections for Sandusky Schools and Carsonville Port Sanilac Schools. Both school boards were to convene before March 20, 2020 to decide if they were going to withdraw their proposals and place them on the August Primary, or have an entire vote by mail election May 5, 2020. This action is due to the Covid-19 pandemic shelter in place order by the Governor.

Kelly was contacted by some residents that were not happy with the drain charges on their Winter Taxes.

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Innes received information from a resident that Mr. Lapp is indeed living on the Ruth Rd. property where there isn't electric, running water, or sewer.

Meetings Attended: None

Old Business: Motion by Innes to accept the Annual Fee Resolution 2020, supported by Kelly. Roll call vote: Innes yes, McCarty yes, Hewitt yes, Kelly yes, and Sonck yes. Motion passed with 5 yes votes.

Motion by McCarty to accept the Assessor's contract for another year, supported by Hewitt. All Ayes

New Business: Motion by Innes to approve the 2020-2021 Budget Resolution #5-2020, supported by Hewitt. Roll call vote: Innes yes, McCarty yes, Hewitt yes, Kelly yes, and Sonck yes. Motion passed with 5 yes votes.

Sonck would like to appoint Tony Hewitt (1) year, and Lee Eggert (3) years, to the Planning Commission. Motion by Innes to accept the recommendation, supported by McCarty. All Ayes

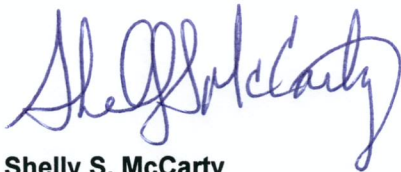
We're looking for 2 people to fill the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion by Kelly to pay the bills numbered 11913-11947 totaling \$19,895.41, supported by Hewitt. All Ayes

Public Comment: Lee Eggert asked what the status was of the 2-3 parcels that were being contacted for blight? The Zoning Administrator was supposed to be sending them a letter and starting to ticket the land owners.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:49 PM by Hewitt, supported by Innes. All Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,



Shelly S. McCarty

Bridgehampton Twp. Clerk