

## Maple Grove Township Board Meeting Minutes

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**Meeting date: 2018/01/15 - Presented by: Tish Yaros - Clerk**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM. All board members present. The minutes from the December 18th meeting were read and motion made by Clerk Yaros seconded by Wendling to approve. Motion passed.

Public Comment: A question was posed by the public on the status of wind ordinance and a moratorium. Supervisor Krupp shared feedback from a conversation with the Michigan Township Association lawyer who advised against a moratorium and recommended that legal advice be sought for any ordinance work. At this time, a special use permit is required to install any type of windmill and no special permits have been filed. Maple Grove also already has a residential windmill ordinance in place.

Pat Andres shared that the truck obtained from the DNR was in house but not yet ready for duty. Anyone is welcome to go and look at it.

Treasurer Bishop motioned to waive the 1% penalty on property taxes between the dates of February 14th thru February 28th. Supervisor Krupp seconded - motion passed. Treasurer Bishop also motioned to make a budget amendment to transfer \$1000 from streets and bridges to cover office and other supplies. Seconded by Yaros - motion passed.

Clerk Yaros noted the new election equipment will be in soon.

Trustee Wendling noted that the playground equipment is completed and wanted to pass a thank you to Jerik Koepplinger who donated and made the signs for the park entrance for contact numbers and closure times. He also noted the next park meeting is Tuesday, February 13th at 7:00 PM.

Supervisor Krupp proposed resolutions 1-2018-1, 1-2018-2, 1-2018-3 and 1-2018-4 to allow an examination of the township officials salaries at the time the budget is reviewed. Seconded by Bishop, motion passed.

Supervisor Krupp shared the dates and times of the budget meetings which are:

1st Budget Meeting - February 28th at 6:00 PM

2nd Budget Meeting - March 19th, 6:45 PM

Annual Meeting - March 26th, 7:00 PM

There will be Board of Review meetings on March 8th at 7:00 PM, and then open meetings on March 12th, 9-12PM and 1-4PM as well as March 13th 3-9PM with a closing meeting on March 15th, at 7:00 PM. These meetings will be in the township office.

Supervisor Krupp distributed a draft of a wind energy ordinance from Shiawassee county and noted he would like to begin talks with an attorney regarding this issue. He also shared the only road commission updates were snow removal.

Treasurer Bishop made a motion to pay bills 18366 thru 18392 totalling \$43,094.38 seconded by Clerk Yaros. Motion passed.

Supervisor Krupp motioned to adjourn the meeting, supported by Bishop. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.