## **Maple Grove Township Board Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: 2019/09/16 - Presented by: Tish Yaros - Clerk

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM. All board members present The minutes from the August 19th meeting were read and motion made by Yaros, seconded by Bishop, to approve. Motion passed.

Cheryl Hadsall, our Saginaw County Commissioner, updated us the following issues:

- The Jail is coming along very slowly, due to lack of skilled labor. Will be about 2 months late.
- The county will be passing a \$173 million budget at tomorrow's meeting
- There will be 3 elections in 2020 (March, August & November) with several proposals:
  - Park renewals
  - Dow Event Center renewal and increase
  - MSU Extension (which includes 4H projects) new millage
- Saginaw County is in the Opioid Lawsuit. The trial will begin October 21st in Cleveland, OH.
- There are a few bills going through Lansing affecting townships. One bill is moving to make township officials non-partisan. Another could make County Commissioners run every 4 years vs the current every 2 years.

Chief Andres reported that the testing on the Air Packs and hoses will take place within the next week along with drivers training. He also noted that they ordered 4 new sets of turnout gear which was budgeted. There is no word yet on the Federal Grant he applied for and will submit a new grant for next year to replace some older air packs.

Treasurer Bishop noted that as of 9/16/19, all land divisions must pay taxes before the split can happen. Bishop also motioned to make a Budget amendment to the County Drain Maintenance (\$87,000) from the Fund Balance (\$42,000) and Attorney Fees (\$45,000), seconded by Yaros. Motion passed.

Trustee Wendling will be cancelling the October 7th, Planning Commission meeting as there is no agenda and the ordinances are not back from the lawyer yet. If this changes, we will notify everyone by putting an announcement on the webpage. Wendling also noted there is a Park Meeting on 9/17/19 where they will discuss the acquisition of the land and getting everything ready to apply for the grants in January/February.

The Road Commission performed mowing, Gravel road maintenance and road patching. Superviser Krupp also noted that Johnstone road has been done and our previously agreed to portion (25%) will be approximately \$2,150.

Treasurer Bishop read and motioned to pay bills #19058 thru 19091 for a total of \$122,178.78. Supported by Anderson. Motion Passed.

Supervisor Krupp motioned to adjourn the meeting, supported by Yaros, meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.