

January 2, 2018, 7:00 P.M., Greenfield Township Municipal Building, the organizational meeting of the Greenfield Township Board of Supervisors.

Present: Steve Rathmann, Sal Fedele, Kevin Bartlett, Renee Wagner, Kurt Sundberg, Melody Hull, Paul Hollman, John Kloss, Mark Cyphert, Susan Cyphert, Don Bement and Chris Bisbee.

Sal Fedele stated that Public Comment would be accepted throughout the meeting as items were being discussed and before each vote.

Steve Rathmann made a motion to appoint Renee Wagner as temporary Secretary. Sal Fedele seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Rathmann made a motion to appoint Sal Fedele as temporary Chairman. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Rathmann made a motion to appoint Sal Fedele as Chairman. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Sal Fedele made a motion to appoint Steve Rathmann as Vice Chairman. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Proposed organizational meeting Resolutions had been prepared, based on budget workshop discussions, current terms of service on committees and information gathered from appointed professionals. The proposed resolutions were forwarded to the Board members for their review and were available for review by those in attendance at the meeting.

Sal Fedele made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-1, Administrative Actions, Appointments and Establishment of Compensation. Steve Rathmann seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Rathmann made a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-2, appointing the Certified Public Accounting Firm of Felix & Gloeckler to perform the Audit of the 2017 records and officers, and setting compensation at \$ 3,800.00. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

An Executive Session was held from 7:06 p.m. until 7:22.

Kurt Sundberg stated that the purpose of the Executive Session was for the discussion of personnel matters.

Steve Rathmann made a motion to adjust wages stated in the draft Resolution 2018-3 as follows; Donald Bement \$ 22.25/hour, Richard (Chris) Bisbee \$ 22.25/hour as temporary foreman, and \$ 19.25/hour once Donald Bement returns from medical leave, David Dropsho \$ 19.00/hour, Russ Zimmer \$ 18.25/hour and Renee Wagner \$35,256.00/annual salary and adopt Resolution 2018-3 with these adjustments. Sal Fedele seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Rathmann made a motion to adopt Resolution 2017-4, Schedule of Fees increasing the Conditional Use Hearing fee to \$ 275.00 and increasing the fee for Township installed pipes by 10%, rounded to the nearest dollar, and all other fees as presented. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Steve Rathmann made a motion to adopt minutes from the December 11<sup>th</sup> and December 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried

unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed.

Chris Bisbee reported that they were caught up from the most recent snow storm. Poor visibility and downed trees slowed plowing. The Crew was pushing back snow and clearing intersection line of sights. All Board members agreed that the Crew did a good job and that Greenfield Township roads were in much better shape than most roads in surrounding communities.

Sal Fedele made a motion to compensate each Crew member an additional \$300.00 for the work performed the last few weeks during the snow storms. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

The steel had been purchased to rebuild a bin on the curbside recycling truck. The truck was able to be run on Friday. With another snow storm, wind, and extreme cold forecast for Friday, and being down one man on the crew, the Board decided to leave it up to Chris Bisbee to decide on canceling this week's recycling pick up. It should be determined by Wednesday and broadcast as canceled on the local TV stations, Facebook and the Township website.

Nothing to report on Recreation.

Nothing to report regarding Zoning.

No Subdivisions were presented.

Nothing to report from the Planning Commission.

Chief Kevin Bartlett reported that Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Company (GTVFC) was dispatched and responded to all 511 emergency calls in 2017. Seventy percent of the calls were mutual aid calls. This was the fourth calendar year that GTVFC had a 100% response rate. Nothing to report from the Emergency Management Coordinator.

Nothing to report regarding the Zoning Ordinance update.

Only one bid was received after the Public Notice for the sale of the 1995 Badger Ditcher. Mel Hull presented a bid in the amount of \$ 1,550.00. The cost to re-advertise, and that three local scrap yards were informed of the bid and did not respond, was discussed. Steve Rathmann made a motion to award the bid to purchase the 1995 badger Ditcher to Mel Hull. Sal Fedele seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark and Susan Cyphert were present to discuss the Notice of Violation of the Nuisance Ordinance that they received regarding a barking dog. They took issue that the Board did not investigate the claim or speak with them before the Notice was sent. They stated that the Herrmann's were not residents of Greenfield Township. They disputed that the Hermann's would be able to hear their dog barking and stated that the dog was only out for a short amount of time. They stated that the dog was let out when Mark Cyphert awoke, which was sometimes as early as 5:00 a.m.. It was also let out around 9:00 p.m.. The Board and Attorney Kurt Sundberg responded by stating that they were aware that the Hermann's live in North East Township. The Board followed the procedure set forth in the Nuisance Ordinance. The Cyphert's coming to meeting was their opportunity to

respond. Kurt Sundberg asked if there had been any contact from the Herrmann's. Renee Wagner stated that Barb Herrmann had called the Township the day after the Cyphert's received the notice and stated that the barking had stopped. She had not heard from the Herrmann's since. Kurt Sundberg thanked the Cyphert's for complying and responding. Randy Parmenter questioned why the employees were not allowed to park their vehicles in the garage. Renee Wagner stated that as long as she had been there (1991), she was not aware of any Board stating that employees could not park their vehicles in the garage. Previous employees had not asked and did not park their vehicles in the garage. The Board stated that they did not have a problem with the employees parking their vehicles in the garage while they were out plowing.

Steve Rathmann made a motion to approve the payroll presented. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Sal Fedele made a motion to pay all regular January invoices which would come due before the February meeting. Kevin Bartlett seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Sal Fedele made a motion to adjourn. Steve Rathmann seconded. No public comment was made. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee M. Wagner  
Secretary