

**Regular Meeting  
Denton Township Board  
April 10, 2019**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Spaulding, Asher, Seaford, Fuller and Pedersen.

The Treasurer's report was received.

Minutes of the March 6, 2019 Regular Meeting and the March 13, 2019 and the March 26, 2019 Special Meetings were approved as distributed.

Motion by Fuller supported by Asher to approve the bills for March, 2019.

**Open Sealed Bids for Demolition of Forest Park Court House.**

Four sealed bids for the demolition of the single wide mobile home and shed located at 139 Forest Park Court were received and opened as follows: Sergeants Septic & Excavating @ \$7,240.00, Carrick Trucking & Gravel @ \$6,450.00, Porath Contracting @ \$2,690.00 and Sajdak Contractor @ \$5,500.00.

Motion by Pedersen supported by Fuller to accept the bid from Porath Contractor for the demolition of the single wide mobile home and shed for the property located at 139 Forest Park Court at a cost not to exceed \$2,690.00. This job to be completed 30 days after the gas and electric service is shut off.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

**Shed Purchase for Pickle Ball Court.**

An estimate for a steel shed from Bowman & Son was reviewed in the amount of \$2,495.00 for installation at the Pickle Ball Court.

Motion by Asher supported by Fuller to authorize the purchase of one 14 gauge, 12' X 20' steel shed with roll up door, completely installed and anchored at a price not to exceed \$2,495.00.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

**Concrete Pad for Pickle Ball Court.**

An estimate for a 14' by 21' concrete pad for shed that is being purchased for pickle ball court area was reviewed from Bigford Concrete & Masonry, Co.

Motion by Asher supported by Spaulding to approve the estimate from Bigford Concrete & Masonry Co. for a 14' X 21' (294 sq. ft.) concrete pad including excavation, wire & fiber mesh, broom finish & saw cut control joints at a price not to exceed \$1,750.00, for the pickle ball court area.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

**"Cost of Services Options" from Roscommon County Equalization Department.**

The "Cost of Services Option" from the Roscommon County Equalization Department was reviewed. There are three (3) options available: Option A @ \$1.15 per parcel plus \$0.44 postage, Option B @ \$0.65 per parcel and Option C-no service.

Motion by Asher supported by Seaford to choose Option A: Full Service @ \$1.15 per parcel and \$0.44 parcel postage per mailing from the Roscommon County Equalization Department for 2019-2020. A complete listing is on file at the Township Office.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

**Replacing Lights in Township Hall, Fire, Police and Ambulance Buildings.**

Four (4) separate estimates to rewire light fixtures and delamp if possible, with electrical permit included for the Township Hall, Police, Fire and Ambulance buildings were reviewed from Blanchard Contracting, Inc. There will also be a rebate incentive from Consumers Energy.

Motion by Asher supported by Fuller to approve the lighting project and contract with Blanchard Contracting, Inc. to replace lights and fixtures, install sensors where indicated, install new flat panel led fixtures where needed for the Township Hall, the Fire Department, the Police Stations and the Ambulance Building. The total cost of the project is \$22,957.00, with rebates from Consumers Energy in the amount of \$4,633.00.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

**Resolutions, Policies and Procedures for Assessing Department.**

Four (4) separate Resolution, Policies and Procedures are needed for Denton Township to be in compliance with the Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements. (AMAR)

**Policy and Procedure for Real Property Exemptions. Resolution #04-10-2019-A**

Motion by Pedersen supported by Asher to adopt the Policy and Procedures for Real Property Exemptions to take effect immediately.

Spaulding – aye, Seaford – aye, Pedersen - aye, Asher – aye, Fuller – aye, Motion Carried.

**Charitable Exemption Policy. Resolution #04-10-2019-B**

Motion by Fuller supported by Spaulding to adopt the Charitable Exemption Application as presented to take effect immediately.

Seaford – aye, Pedersen – aye, Asher – aye, Fuller – aye, Spaulding – aye, Motion Carried.

**Policy for Personal Property Canvass and Audit Procedures. Resolution #04-10-2019-C**

Motion by Asher supported by Fuller to adopt the Policy for Personal Property Canvass and Audit Procedures to take effect immediately.

Pedersen – aye, Asher – aye, Fuller – aye, Spaulding – aye, Seaford – aye, Motion Carried.

**Policy for Granting Poverty Exemptions. Resolution #04-10-2019-D**

Motion by Spaulding supported by Pedersen to adopt the Policy for Granting Poverty Exemptions to take effect immediately.

Asher – aye, Fuller – aye, Spaulding – aye, Seaford - aye, Pedersen – aye, Motion Carried.

Complete copies of all the Resolutions, Policies and Procedures will be on file in the Assessing Office.

**Reappointment to Houghton Lake Public Library Board.**

Motion by Fuller supported by Pedersen to reappoint Laurie Chudzinski and Tracey Haggart to the Houghton Lake Public Library Board for a four year term expiring June 2023.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

**Fence Work Estimate at Softball Fields.**

Motion by Asher supported by Seaford to approve the proposal from Mio Fence Company for a new fence at the Denton Township Softball Fields at a cost not to exceed \$13,279.00. This includes 475' of 4 foot commercial fence on side lines with a 12' gate, a new heavy gauge fence on backstop with extra rails, a yellow top cap on fence and tear out and haul away old fencing.

Ayes 5 Nays 0 Motion Carried.

**Partisan/Nonpartisan Issue Request from MTA.**

The Michigan Townships Association (MTA) Board of Directors has requested the Township Board's opinion on a time-sensitive legislative policy issue with regards to a partisan/nonpartisan decision.

Motion by Asher supported by Spaulding that the township board is in support of legislation that would allow township boards the option to have its elected offices appear as nonpartisan on the ballot.

Spaulding – aye, Asher – aye, Seaford – nay, Fuller – nay, Pedersen – nay, Motion Failed.

**Correspondence.**

Notice of Grant awarded to the Police Department from Michigan Township Participating Plan in the amount of \$2,520.00 for Police Body Cameras.

Ambulance, (February and March) Fire, Police, Stone Hall Rental and Mobile Home/RV Park reports were received and filed. There were 143 Ambulance calls in February and 169 calls in March, 13 Fire calls and 158 original Police reports. The Stone Hall was rented 13 times in March. There are no mobile homes for sale at the Mobile Home Park.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Minutes subject to correction at the next regular meeting of the Board.

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Carol A. Asher, Clerk

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Bob Spaulding, Supervisor