

**WALES TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 03, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., and opened with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Present: Supervisor Elizabeth Masters; Clerk Cynthia Bobcean; Trustee David Shannon;
Trustee Larry Thomson.

Absent: Treasurer Elisha Messina, excused.

Also present: Recording Secretary J. Duncan and two members of the audience.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A: Approval of Agenda.

B: Approval of Minutes – June 05, 2018.

C: Financial Report (Treasurer) April & May 2018 bank reconciliation.

D: Approval of additional bills and Check Register (Clerk) checks #163-200 totaled \$54,303.10.

REQUIRED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS APRIL 30, 2018

4/30/18 STATEMENT	PRIOR MONTH BALANCE	CURRENT MONTH INCOME	CURRENT MONTH DISTRIBUTIONS	CURRENT MONTH BALANCE
CHASE GENERAL CHECKING	\$ 65,827.00	\$ 46,648.88	\$ 64,471.77	\$ 48,004.11
CHASE GENERAL SAVINGS	\$ 124,071.39	\$ 18.96	\$ -	\$ 124,090.35
CHASE TAX ACCOUNT	\$ 32,022.98	\$ -	\$ 31,993.83	\$ 29.15
CHASE BOND SAVINGS	\$ 10,459.09	\$ 1,251.62	\$ -	\$ 11,710.71
PARKS & REC FUND (designated)	\$ 61,542.34	\$ 5.06	\$ -	\$ 61,547.40
CEMETERY FUND (designated)	\$ 12,157.56	\$ 201.00	\$ -	\$ 12,358.56
CEMETERY 365 DAY CD-(designated)	\$ 60,115.47	\$	\$	\$ 60,115.47
CHEMICAL 183 DAY CD 8521	\$ 101,835.76	\$	\$	\$ 101,835.76
CHEMICAL 183 DAY CD 8532	\$ 101,887.09	\$	\$	\$ 101,887.09
CHEMICAL 365 DAY CD 8543	\$ 146,951.07	\$ 602.50	\$	\$ 147,553.57
TOTAL DESIGNATED FUNDS				\$ 134,021.43
TOTAL NON-DESIGNATED FUNDS				\$ 535,110.74
TOTAL FUNDS				\$ 669,132.17

REQUIRED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS MAY 31, 2018

5/31/18 STATEMENT	PRIOR MONTH BALANCE	CURRENT MONTH INCOME	CURRENT MONTH DISTRIBUTIONS	CURRENT MONTH BALANCE
CHASE GENERAL CHECKING	\$ 48,004.11	\$ 49,698.58	\$ 23,013.92	\$ 74,688.77
CHASE GENERAL SAVINGS	\$ 124,090.35	\$ 27.97	\$ -	\$ 124,118.32
CHASE TAX ACCOUNT	\$ 29.15	\$ -	\$ 9.00	\$ 20.15
CHASE BOND SAVINGS	\$ 11,710.71	\$ 2,251.80	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 12,962.51
PARKS & REC FUND (designated)	\$ 61,547.40	\$ 5.23	\$ -	\$ 61,552.63
CEMETERY FUND (designated)	\$ 12,358.56	\$ 1.05	\$ -	\$ 12,359.61
CEMETERY 365 DAY CD-(designated)	\$ 60,115.47	\$	\$	\$ 60,115.47
CHEMICAL 183 DAY CD 8521	\$ 101,835.76	\$	\$	\$ 101,835.76
CHEMICAL 183 DAY CD 8532	\$ 101,887.09	\$	\$	\$ 101,887.09
CHEMICAL 365 DAY CD 8543	\$ 147,553.57	\$	\$	\$ 147,553.57
TOTAL DESIGNATED FUNDS				\$ 134,027.71
TOTAL NON-DESIGNATED FUNDS				\$ 563,066.17
TOTAL FUNDS				\$ 669,132.17

Motion by Bobcean, second by Shannon, to approve as presented. Roll call vote taken: Bobcean, aye; Shannon, aye; Thomson, aye; Masters, aye; Messina, absent. Four ayes; motion carried.

COMMENTS from the public on agenda items. None.

GUEST presentations. John Donnellon, Emmett Basketball Court project. Mr. Donnellon is part of a group trying to raise funds to complete the recreation project in Emmett. He corrected the label of "basketball" to point out that it is a multi-purpose court. He showed pictures of the complex, and explained the different purposes to which it can be used. He also said how many other municipalities have contributed money to the ongoing project (everyone nearby except Wales). That is why he is back for a second attempt to convince this Board that it is a worthy project. Thomson had previously shown concerns over Township funds being used. Donnellon said that St. Clair Co. Parks and Rec. Director Mark Brochu had assured him that it was fine with him if Parks funding was used in this manner. Thomson said he had also checked with Brochu, and with the MTA. MTA agreed that General Fund money should not be used for donations. Masters asked about the total cost of the project. The total is \$64,000. Each township donated specific sums of money. If they could get \$2,000 from Wales, they'd be happy. Masters said her son has used the park, and said it's really nice. This issue was listed to be discussed under the Supervisor's reports, but was moved for discussion at this time.

Motion by Masters, second by Thomson, to donate \$2,000.00 out of the Parks and Recreation fund, to the Emmett Multi-Purpose Court project. Discussion followed, with Thomson giving his view on both sides of the situation, and Masters saying that finding out participation is free, rather than pay-to-play makes a difference, and Shannon saying he thinks the Parks committee members would be okay with it. Roll call vote taken: Thomson, pass; Shannon, yes; Bobcean, no; Masters, yes; Thomson, no. Motion failed. Donnellon asked if he could come back. Everyone agreed that of course he could for all of the meetings are open to the public.

CORRESPONDENCE and announcements.

- A. MTA testimony to State House on HB 6049, regarding local control of assessing.
- B. Vern Pearl re: Assessing district. Proposal for Emmett, Wales, Kenockee, Brockway.
- C. Richmond Lenox EMS response reports.
- D. SSC Community Mental Health, new poster.
- E. SSC Drain Commission: Day of Review July 11, 2018. Dilworth, Pine River, Shirkey, and Tinsman Drains, boundaries and apportionments. Four new projects in Wales.

REPORTS

- A. Township Supervisor (Masters). SSCRC Local Program Funding, gravel haul. There is a program which offers 80/20 cost share on road gravel, which may be of benefit for Wales next year.
- B. Township Clerk's agenda. (Bobcean)
 - 1. Bond forfeiture-Swoffer. After discussion between Swoffer, Building Inspector Waddy, and Clerk Bobcean, **motion** by Thomson, second by Masters, to forfeit Swoffer building bond and put his active permits on suspension, to be reactivated when Swoffer has the money to resume work on the project. Roll call taken: Thomson, aye; Masters, aye; Shannon, aye; Bobcean, aye. Four ayes; motion carried.
S.C.C. Parks and Recreation Millage Distribution form. **Motion** by Masters, second by Bobcean, to accept and approve for signing of the 2018 SSCP&R distribution request.
 - 2. Roll call vote taken: Masters, aye; Bobcean, aye; Shannon, aye; Thomson, aye. Four
 - 3. ayes; motion carried.

4. Resolution 2018-09, Election Receiving Board. **Motion** by Thomson, second by Shannon, to approve Resolution 2018-09, Resolution Establishing a Receiving Board for Elections held in Wales Township. Roll call vote taken: Thomson, aye; Shannon, aye; Bobcean, aye; Masters, aye. Four yes; motion carried.
5. Audit complete – Auditor will attend August 14, 2018 meeting.
6. Elections – August 07, 2018.
7. Birthdays – Carly, July 4th.

C. Township Treasurer's agenda. (Messina) Not present.

D. Township Trustee-Planning Commission; Emergency Preparedness. (Thomson) A Special Planning Commission meeting was held on June 18th, for a hearing on an Ordinance change. Next Planning Commission meeting will be Monday, July 16th.

E. Township Trustee-Zoning Board of Appeals; Parks. (Shannon) County Parks met recently. They have a lot going on at Goodells Park. They are going to move their marquee sign on Lapeer Rd.

F. Committees. Local Parks Committee. There is a meeting on July 19th at 5:30. Mark Brochu from County Parks may attend.

G. Other. None.

OLD BUSINESS.

- A. El Haddad blight/Zoning legal matter. Township attorney Dubay has sent "order to comply" papers to El Haddad. The deadline to comply has passed, and so far nothing has been done. Dubay has suggested that the Township take El Haddad to Circuit Court, since having already taken him to District Court has produced no compliance. He also said getting an injunction from Circuit Court might be more effective. Masters asked Dubay about a rough estimate of costs for this action. A short process might be about \$1,500. **Motion** by Thomson, second by Bobcean, to proceed to Circuit Court against El Haddad. Roll call vote taken: Thomson, aye; Bobcean, aye; Shannon, aye; Masters, aye. Four ayes; motion carried.

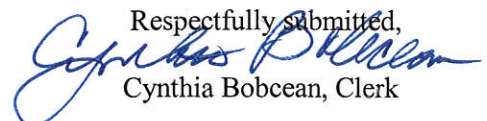
NEW BUSINESS.

- A. Elm tree removal & stump grinding at Township Hall driveway. Three estimates: Alex and Sons; \$1,800.; Advanced; \$1,000.; Gelfke & Sons; \$1,950. **Motion** by Masters, second by Bobcean, to take the trees out and have the stumps ground by Advanced Tree Co. for \$1,000.00. Roll call vote taken: Masters, aye; Bobcean, aye; Shannon, aye; Thomson, aye. Four ayes; motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. Audience member asked if Swoffer is a veteran who might be eligible for aid? Not known. Thomson asked if Emmett Multi-purpose Court is registered as a charity? Not known. **Motion** by Thomson, second by Masters, to ask that the Chair put the question of Emmett Multi-purpose Court on the next meeting agenda, when we have all five members present. Three ayes; one nay: motion carried.

Mr. Andy Flood came in the door at 8:15 p.m., requesting information about a property in Wales Township. He agreed to have his wife come to the Hall on Thursday.

ADJOURNMENT. **Motion** by Shannon, second by Thomson, to adjourn. All ayes; motion carried. Next meeting – August 14, 2018. August 07 is Election Day. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Bobcean, Clerk