

APPROVED WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
February 27, 2018

Board Members Present: Stormont, Lester, Brennan, Butterfield, Bray and Loveland. Absent Zenz

Also Present: Assessor Deboe, Fire Chief Jones and Deputy Clerk Harris. Jones left at 8:30.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Stormont at 8:03 am.

Policies and Procedures Review: The board was asked to look over the Policies & Procedures manual, especially page 5 about public comment, and information from the MTA to see if any changes need to be made. It was suggested to have a public comment sign-in sheet at all meetings with each person on the list having three minutes to speak during the public comment sections of the meetings. This would be to help the meetings end in a timely manner.

Broadband: Stormont has been in contact with WOW, Comcast and Frontier to get information to help Township residents better understand what coverage is available and will be. Chris Little submitted a survey pertaining to better internet. This survey will be mailed out with the Grass Lake Times and the surveys are to be returned to Bray. The Township has been asked to help pay for the printing cost, approximately \$250.00.

Cedar Knoll Property: An amended purchase agreement that was received from Dakota Real Estate, LLC has the Township paying for all of the costs. The Township Attorney says that should be the buyer's responsibility. Lester stated the Environmental Study may require more action than just Phase 1. The board would like to break even on the property without incurring more expenses. No action will be taken at this time; it will be discussed further at the Township Board Meeting. A company from Jackson called Stormont inquiring about the property. Stormont will talk to this company and get more information.

MTA Conference: The conference is in Traverse City, April 24-26. Any board member interested in going needs to be registered by March 27.

Spring Business Expo: March 17, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Setup Friday night. Same booths as last year.

JCDOT Road Repair: JCDOT believes Bohne Road can be restored to an asphalt surface with 30% of the cost coming from JCDOT and 70% of the cost coming from another source. If the 70% cost share cannot be found the JCDOT will need to pulverize the existing HMA surface and return Bohne Road to a gravel surface. Bohne Road will be closed to thru traffic between Maute Road and Kalmbach Road until repairs are made. Lester will contact JCDOT for more information on the repairs.

Future Facilities: Plans for a new 7000 sqft Township office building were drawn up in 2014. Due to developing circumstances with the Senior Center, Village Office Building and Events Park, Stormont would like to revisit the idea of a new Township office building.

Equalization Sales Data: Data from the county was presented to the board.

Loveland asked about the status of the Bohne Road Gravel Pit, so he would be able to inform anyone who inquired about it.

Motion by Bray and supported by Brennan to adjourn at 9:40 am. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Gail Harris