

**VEVAY TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting/Public Hearing
Monday, June 10, 2019
Vevay Township Hall – 780 Eden Rd.
517-676-9523
7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Members Present: Supervisor Jesse Ramey, Clerk JoAnne Kean, Treasurer Shaun Sherwood, Trustee Richard Lacasse and Trustee John Lazet

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Legal Counsel David Revore, *Bauckham Sparks*; Deputy Clerk Mary Ruttan and Deputy Treasurer Debbie Blair

Others Present: ICSO Sergeant Treat, Regional Director Marketing *Michigan CLASS* Kristin Angel and 21 interested residents and persons.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Ramey at 7:00 p.m. and followed by the Pledge. `

Roll Call/Excuse Absent Member. None.

Set/Amend Agenda. Pending Business item-Discussion of the Marihuana Ordinance moved to after the close of the Public Hearing. ICSD Sergeant Treat’s report moved to after Set/Amend Agenda.

IC Sheriff Office Sergeant Treat Vevay Township Incident Report for May. Sergeant Treat presented the May incident report and responded to resident’s questions. Sergeant Treat thanked Trustee Lazet for the donuts for Police Officer Appreciation.

The meeting recessed at 7:07p.m. to hear public comment on the Proposed Marihuana Ordinance.

Supervisor Ramey read a statement regarding the reasons for the Public Hearing stating the Township is committed to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Township. A Public Hearing is not a requirement; however public comment and opinions are crucial and important to the Board. Legal Counsel David Revore provided a summary of the various Marihuana public acts and advised of several options the Township may consider. Trustee Lazet reviewed various sections of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation Act passed in November of 2018 as it relates to the proposed ordinance. The production of Industrial Hemp is not included in the MRTMA Act.

The following residents provided testimony in favor of “Opting Out” because of the fear of increased crime, reduced property values, environmental concerns regarding the smell and the additional policing costs.

Fred Kiefer, 864 Chickasaw
Mike Gould, 671 Ives Road
Al Winters, 1219 Barnes Road
Bob Schnabelrauch, 655 Rolfe Road

The following residents and person of interest were here to gain information and/or provide testimony in favor of “not Opting Out” because of the 10% excise tax, increased township revenue, tax benefits, economic benefits such as jobs and increased property values.

Patrick Anderson, 802 Woodcrest, Royal Oak, MI
John Fischer, 225 E. Kipp Road
David Greenblatt, 2796 Tomlinson Road

Resident Bruce Walker inquired if the Township had considered the additional revenue. Legal Counsel reviewed the Township’s options and stated that the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) have not issued promulgated rules.

The Public Hearing adjourned at 7:49 p.m. and the regular meeting resumed.

Discussion of the Marihuana Ordinance. Discussion followed regarding the promulgation of rules, Township revenues and the three options available to the Board. Each Board member voiced their reasoning and position on the ordinance.

The following ordinance was introduced for adoption by Lacasse and supported by Ramey, as presented:

**TOWNSHIP OF VEVAY
COUNTY OF INGHAM, STATE OF MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE NO. 73**

**PROHIBITION OF MARIHUANA FACILITIES AND
RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS ORDINANCE**

An ordinance to provide a title for the ordinance; to define words; to prohibit marihuana facilities and marihuana establishments within the boundaries of Vevay Township pursuant to Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act, Public Act 281 of 2016, MCL 333.27101, *et seq.*, as may be amended, and Initiated Law 1 of 2018, Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, MCL 333.27951, *et seq.*, as may be amended; to provide penalties for violation of this ordinance; to provide for severability; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith; and to provide an effective date.

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Ramey, Sherwood, Lazet, Lacasse & Kean
Nays: None**

(Note: The Official record of Ordinance No. 73 is printed in its entirety in *Vevay Township Ordinances, Volume II.*)

ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

Clerk Kean thanked everyone for their attendance and public comment. It was important to the Board to hear all points of view.

For the time consideration of Legal Counsel, adoption of the updated FOIA Policy was presented next.

Adoption of the Updated FOIA Policy. Clerk Kean gave a short introduction and referred the Board to the enclosed draft FOIA Procedures & Guidelines and Written Public Summary. Legal Counsel presented a summary of the changes to the statute as incorporated into the documents.

MOTION Kean, seconded Lazet, to adopt the amended FOIA Policy consistent with the 2018 revision of the law.

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Sherwood, Ramey, Kean, Lacasse & Lazet
Nays: None**

Consent Agenda.

Recommendations are preceded by an asterisk (*).

- Meeting Minutes for the Regular Meeting on 5-13-19. *approved & filed
- Financial Reports – May 2019, 1) Fund Balances 2) Balance Sheets 3) Revenue & Expenditure Reports and 4) Delinquent Miscellaneous Receivables. *received & Filed
- Report for Missing Property Transfer Affidavits. *received & filed
- Planning Commission Regular Meeting minutes of 5-8-19. *distributed
- Building/Zoning Report for April/May. *received & filed
- Zoning Administrator Report: Enforcement Report for May 2019. *received & filed
- Correspondence from:
 - 1.) Mason Fire Department re: May Response Reports. *filed
 - 2.) Arts Council of Greater Lansing Creative Placemaking Summit 5. *filed
 - 3.) Ingham County Animal Control & Shelter Ribbon Cutting 6-14-19. *filed
 - 4.) Ingham Intermediate School District Hearts of Fun Golf Scramble 6-12-19. *filed
 - 5.) MERS Annual Actuarial Valuation Report 12-31-18. *filed

MOTION by Kean, seconded Lacasse, to adopt the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Lazet, Sherwood, Ramey, Kean & Lacasse
Nays: None**

Items Removed from Consent Agenda – Discussion. None.

Public Comment. None.

Accounts Payable Disbursement Authorization. Clerk Kean reviewed the Disbursement Authorization list and responded to questions.

MOTION Kean, seconded Lazet, to approve the Disbursement Authorization Report for General Fund Checks #29696-29755 and EFT's #346, #347, #348, #349, and #350 in the total amount of \$33,551.16.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Lacasse, Lazet, Sherwood, Ramey & Kean

Nays: None

Treasurer's Report: Summer Tax Info & Bill. The Board reviewed the draft 2019 Summer Tax Bill and Info Sheet. Treasurer Sherwood will contact KCI Printers for the printing and collation of the 2019 Summer Tax Bills, as previously approved by the Board

Treasurer's Report: MMTA Conference Update. Treasurer Sherwood gave a brief update on her attendance at the MMTA Conference. Sessions included investments, cash flow, policy creation, Land Banking, and data security.

Treasurer's Report: PPT Reimbursement. Treasurer Sherwood referred the Board to the Personal Property Exemption Loss Report provided by the Ingham County Equalization/Tax Mapping Department. Vevay Township's PPT loss this year was \$7,683,375.00, which has increased by \$176,000 over last year.

Upon the arrival of Kristin Angel from Michigan CLASS, Pending Business Item on this matter was presented next.

Michigan CLASS Local Investment Pool. Treasurer Sherwood introduced Kristin Angel, Regional Director of Marketing for Michigan CLASS. Ms. Angel presented an overview of Michigan CLASS and answered questions from the Board. Michigan CLASS is a local government investment pool that allows public agencies to pool funds together to collectively earn interest on investments. Discussion followed by the Board regarding, current procedures, best practices and investment fund balances.

**TOWNSHIP OF VEVAY
INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN
PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT MICHIGAN CLASS
Resolution No. 19-07**

A regular meeting, of the Township Board, of Vevay Township, held at the Vevay Township Hall, Mason, Michigan, June 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Ramey, Clerk Kean, Treasurer Sherwood, Trustee Lazet, and
Trustee Lacasse

Absent: None

**RESOLUTION to TRANSFER via AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE (ACH) TO:
MI CLASS sub-accounts created for the following Vevay Township Funds:**

- 1) **Vevay Township General Fund**
- 2) **DDA General Fund**

WHEREAS, the purpose of the resolution is to set up an electronic fund transfer via ACH from a General Fund and DDA accounts to the Vevay Township's MI CLASS Account, for transferring funds into and out of the above listed sub-accounts for the purpose of interest accrual; and

WHEREAS, minimal interest is offered, for the above funds, in the current General and DDA Fund accounts at Commercial Bank – Mason; and

WHEREAS, Interest for all MI CLASS sub-accounts will earn the same rate of interest; and

WHEREAS, MI CLASS sub-accounts monthly statements will appear on the parent MI CLASS monthly statement, as a summary page showing each balance, followed by interest and transfer information for each account separately.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Vevay Township will use electronic fund transfer (EFT) via automated clearing house (ACH) to transfer into and out of the General Fund and DDA accounts to MI CLASS sub-accounts for the purpose of interest accrual.

MOTION Sherwood, seconded Lacasse, to accept the Participation Agreement as an investment tool for the Treasurer's Office.

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Kean, Lacasse, Lazet, Sherwood & Ramey
Nays: None**

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

MOTION Sherwood, seconded Lacasse, to add Michigan CLASS to the approved list of Investment Financial Institutions effective June 10, 2019.

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Ramey, Kean, Lacasse, Lazet & Sherwood
Nays: None**

Clerk's Report: May 7th Election Expense Update. Clerk Kean submitted an Election Reimbursement request to both Mason Schools and Dansville Schools. Vevay Township received the Mason requested amount of \$4,812.47 today. Dansville's request was for \$1,644.99 for a total of \$6,457.46. The anticipated budgeted revenue was \$7,700. The amount was less due to the reduced number of election workers. However, the total cost of Election expense was reimbursed as requested by the State. The County Clerk performed an election audit which included both the precinct and AVCB. There were no findings.

Clerk's Report: XG Sciences IFT Update. Clerk Kean referred the Board to the Annual Performance Report required by the agreement. Supervisor Ramey noted the number of employees has decreased. Treasurer Sherwood stated the exemption is for 5 years. Vevay Township currently has four IFT Exemption Agreements.

Clerk's Report: Newsletter Review. The Board reviewed the Vevay Voice-Summer Edition 2019 newsletter. Submission date to the printer is June 17th. Supervisor Ramey will re-word the section on "New Marihuana Law" to include tonight's Board action.

Trustee Lazet: Planning Commission Report. Trustee Lazet stated the Planning Commission will be expediting review of issues within the Ordinances. The next review will be on screening which includes items such as fences and walls.

Authorization Request for Payment of Michigan Township Association 2019-2020 Annual Dues for \$2,620.25. Funds have been budgeted for the Michigan Township Association (MTA) annual dues. The Board concurred that involvement in MTA has been valuable.

MOTION Kean, seconded Sherwood, to authorize the expense and payment of the MTA annual dues invoice in the amount of \$2,620.25, charged to *Due & Subscriptions (GL #101-101-958.000).*

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Sherwood, Ramey, Kean, Lacasse & Lazet
Nays: None**

Authorization Request for Elected Officials Attendance at MTA Professional Development Retreats in July. Supervisor Ramey informed the Board he did not attend the previously approved MTA training for "Supervising Your Assessor" because it will be included in MTA's Township Supervisor's Professional Development Retreat. Clerk Kean respectfully requested approval for a one-day attendance at MTA's Clerk's Professional Development Retreat for herself and Deputy Clerk Ruttan.

MOTION Kean, seconded Lazet, to authorize the expense and payment up to \$650.00 for the Supervisor to attend MTA's Township Supervisors' Professional Development Retreat on July 12-13, 2019 to be held at Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, MI to be charged to *Educational Meetings – Supervisor (GL #101-171-960.000).*

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Lazet, Sherwood, Ramey, Kean & Lacasse
Nays: None**

MOTION Ramey, seconded Lazet, to authorize the expense and payment of \$636.00 for the Clerk and Deputy Clerk to attend the one day training at MTA's Clerk's Professional Development Retreat on July 18, 2019 to be held at Shanty Creek Resort, Bellaire, MI to be charged to *Educational Meetings – Clerk (GL #101-215-960.000).*

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Lacasse, Lazet, Sherwood, Ramey & Kean
Nays: None**

Authorization Request for the attendance at the Michigan Association of Planning Training on Planning and Zoning Essentials. The Board reviewed the enclosed Michigan Association of Planning – Planning and Zoning Essentials training information hosted by the City of Mason. Six individuals would like to attend. Some of the costs may qualify for a grant under risk management.

MOTION Kean, seconded Ramey, to authorize the expense and payment to the City of Mason for 6 registrants to attend the Michigan Association of Planning Training on June 18, 2019 in Mason in the amount up to \$987.00 to be charged to *Planning Commission Educational Meetings* (GL #101-801-960.000) in the amount of \$500.00, *Educational Meetings ZBA* (Gl #101-815-960.000) in the amount of \$87.00, and *Educational Meeting Governing Body* (GL #101-101-960.00) in the amount of \$400.00.

Roll Call Vote

**Ayes: Kean, Lazet, Ramey, Lacasse & Sherwood
Nays: None**

Any Other Business. Clerk Kean gave brief updates on:

1. The Rayner Creek Drain Project.
2. The up-coming meeting of the ICC- MTA which will be at the new Ingham County Animal Shelter with tours at 6:00 pm followed by the meeting.
3. Clerk Kean informed the Board she has been in contact with the Ingham County Environmental Health Director and the Environmental Health Water & Land Supervisor, Bill Haun regarding the elimination of the *Point of Sale* and instituting a 10-year inspection requirement on well and septic.
4. The Township's audit field days are Wednesday and Thursday June 12th and 13th, if anyone would like to attend.

Additional Public Comment. Resident Jeff Carter commented on the process for the solicitation of bids. Mr. Carter complimented the Planning Commission on the mining ordinance.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

JoAnne Kean, Clerk

Transcribed by Deputy Clerk Ruttan