

**AVERY TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

January 2, 2019

Supervisor Thom Seymour called the regular monthly meeting of the Avery Township Board to order at the Avery Township Hall with the pledge to the American Flag at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Jean Angell, Treasurer; Thom Seymour, Supervisor; Ann Seymour, Clerk; Dawn Dobbyn, Trustee; Gary McMurphy, Trustee.

Absent: None                      Guests: None *JEAN*

Motion by Dawn Dobbyn, seconded by Jena Angell to accept the December 4, 2018 minutes as submitted. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Gary McMurphy, seconded by Dawn Dobbyn to accept the December 2018 Treasurer's Report as submitted by Treasurer Jean Angell. All in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer advised that we have CD's, #300, #301, and #307 at Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union that are due to roll over on January 25, 2019. After discussion: Motion by Gary McMurphy, seconded by Dawn Dobbyn to roll over the 3 CD's @ Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union for two (2) years. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Dawn Dobbyn, seconded by Jean Angell, to pay vouchers #3729-#3744 totaling \$5,304.85. All in favor, motion carried.

Supervisor advised that the annual Board of Review training is January 29 in Alpena. He also requested that we send all three BOR members and the Supervisor to the training. Motion by Ann Seymour, seconded by Jean Angell, to send three BOR members and the Supervisor to the January 29 BOR training in Alpena. All in favor, motion carried.

After discussion regarding the Resolution Opposing Load Restrictions that was requested of us by the Montmorency County Road Commission. The following motion was entered Ann Seymour, seconded by Gary McMurphy, to table the matter until the February 5, 2019 regular monthly Board meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion regarding the Resolution to Opt Out of Allowing Marijuana establishments in our township, the following motion was entered by Gary McMurphy, and seconded by Dawn Dobbyn to table the subject until the February 5, 2019 regular Board meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The matter of raises for FY 2019/2020 fiscal year was addressed by Jean Angell. After discussion the following motion was entered by Jean Angell, seconded by Gary McMurphy to budget a 2% cost of living raise for township Board members, their deputies, Zoning Administrator, Maintenance Man, and hourly wages. Per Diems will remain the same. Supervisor called for a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Jean Angell, Gary McMurphy, Thom Seymour, Dawn Dobbyn. No: Ann Seymour Absent: None

**AIRPORT REPORT:** Presented by Jean Angell. The Airport Board meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month.

**AMBULANCE REPORT:** Presented by Thom Seymour. EMT Classes starting January 8, 2019. Will be trading in an ambulance on a new one. More employees are requesting to have health insurance. The Joint Operating meeting on December 18, 2018 @ 7:00 at the Ambulance Barn.

BOR REPORT: Supervisor advertised for alternate BOR member and no response. Due to Jim Katkus's passing away, we are also short a BOR member. After discussion. The supervisor suggested that we appoint Thad Tikkanen, a retired resident that is also an Avery Twp. Election worker. Motion by Jean Angell, seconded by Gary McMurphy to appoint Thad Tikkanen to a two year term to the Board of Review. All in favor, motion carried.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Given by Dawn Dobbyn. The following have been elected: Lou Mulholland, Chairperson; Dale LeClair, Secretary; and Tom Colburn, Vice Chair. Received a DNR grant for \$5,000.00 for new radios. Jan. 12 their awards banquet.

OTHER BUSINESS: Received a Notice of Authorization from DEQ for replacing a bridge on the Thunder Bay River off of Hall Road.

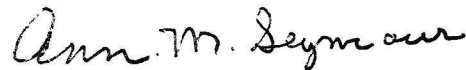
Received a FOIA request on the old Agriculture building on M-32 E. Supervisor notified the necessary agencies (Health Dept., Fire Dept., and Township Assessor to provide the requested information.

MTA COUNTY CHAPTER: Next meeting Jan. 10, 2019 7:00 p.m. @ Hillman Community Center.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

There being no further business at hand, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann M. Seymour

Avery Township Clerk