

Gaines Township
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2021

Virtual meeting per MDHHS Order

Members Present: Leslie Casto, Rocky Fowler, Paul Fortino, Karen Hawkins, Diane Hyrman

Absent: None

Also Present: Fire Chief Joe Hyrman, Police Chief Mark Schmitzer, Attorney Michael Gildner

Meeting brought to order: @ 7:01 p.m.

Roll call and location: Diane Hyrman, Township Hall; Karen Hawkins, Clerk's Office; Leslie Casto, Township Hall, Rocky Fowler, Police Department; Paul Fortino, Township Hall

Motion by Hyrman: supported by Casto, to approve minutes of the January 6, 2021 Regular Board of Trustees meeting as presented.

Roll call: Hawkins, yes; Hyrman, yes; Fowler, yes; Casto, yes; Fortino, yes

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Public comment: Three citizens commented

Building Report: Three building permits issued in January

Attorney Report: Nothing at this time

Board of Appeals: Next meeting April 15, 2021 @ 7:30 p.m.

Fire Board: January Fire Runs - 8
January Medical Runs – 9

Planning Commission: Next meeting/public hearing scheduled for February 24, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Police Report: 110 calls in January

Treasurer's Report: Received and filed

Motion by Hyrman: supported by Fowler, to pay bills as presented: General Checking: \$29,609.90; Fire Operating Checking: \$13,327.35; Police Checking: \$7,284.49; Waste & Refuse Checking: \$28,577.90; Water & Sewer Checking: Pump Station: \$2,895.09; Usage: \$140.00.

Roll call: Casto, yes; Hawkins, yes; Fowler, yes; Hyrman, yes; Fortino, yes

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Motion by Hyrman: supported by Hawkins, to accept Gaines Township Resolution 2021-03 Authorizing a Resident Taxpayer to File a Protest Before the Board of Review by Letter Without a Personal Appearance as presented.

Roll call: Casto, yes; Fowler, yes; Hyrman, yes; Hawkins, yes; Fortino, yes

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Motion by Hyrman: supported by Casto, to accept Gaines Township Resolution 2021-04 Submitting the Question of a Mosquito Abatement Assessment to the Township Electors as presented.

Roll call: Fowler, yes; Hawkins, yes; Casto, yes; Hyrman, yes; Fortino, yes

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Motion by Hyrman: supported by Fowler, to accept Gaines Township Resolution 2021-05 Submitting the Question of a Police Protection Operations Millage to the Township Electors as presented with a .89 millage levy from 2021-2025.

Roll call: Casto, yes; Fowler, yes; Hawkins, yes; Hyrman, yes; Fortino, yes

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Motion by Fowler: supported by Casto, to approve hiring Dahlia Myers to clean the Township Hall for \$75.00 per cleaning every other week.

Roll call: Hawkins, yes; Hyrman, yes; Fowler, yes; Casto, yes; Fortino, yes

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Motion by Hyrman: supported by Fowler, to give police officers a thirty-day notice of layoff for March 31, 2021.

Roll call: Casto, yes; Hawkins, yes; Fowler, yes; Hyrman, yes; Fortino, yes

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Motion by Hyrman: supported by Hawkins, to reaffirm \$25.00 zoning compliance fee and approve \$125.00 fee for tax roll per season for mortgage companies.

Roll call: Casto, yes; Fowler, yes; Hyrman, yes; Hawkins, yes; Fortino, yes

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Budget workshop scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Casto: supported by Hawkins, to adjourn meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Motion passed: 5 ayes, 0 nays

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hawkins
Clerk