

Aetna Township Board  
Minutes of Meeting Held  
March 11, 2020

**Board Members Present:** Dee Barringer, Bruce Carey, Gary Dubridge, & Jan Eckert

Absent: Barbie Cornell

**Public Present:** James Taylor, Ken Lind

**Meeting** called to order at 7:05 pm

**Public Comment:**

**James Taylor:** Candidate for Mecosta County Sheriff. He is now the undersheriff, handling the budget of 4.5 million and 52 employees. He is local and was with the City of Big Rapids since 1994. He believes in contact with other officials and will be attending more township board meeting, training jail workers. He does not believe in special rules for special groups. Gary brought up the Amish use of the trail and not others.

**Ken Lind:** Insurance Agent; Some townships are finding that they do not have coverages for things such as Covid-19. We are covered and EMS has an obligation to defend.

**Minutes:** Motion by Bruce to amend the minutes of the February meeting per his written record, correcting the report on the Road Commission and approval at the next meeting. Support by Gary. Motion Carried.

**Treasurer's Report** 2-29-20

General Account Chemical	\$ 76,866.02	Tax Account	\$ 184,355.53
CD #17 Chemical (Roads)	51,007.57	Brady Lake	2,678.77
CD # 17 Chemical (Roads)	<u>25,337.88</u>		
Total Cash Available	\$ 153,211.47		

Still needs to balance. The tax roll indicates that total collections are \$74,393.40. The projected amount of income to date is \$65,840.71 with delinquent due from the county at \$8,552.69.

She will be checking out using "The Square" for credit card payments. She had 8-10 request for use of a credit card this year but hall rentals are wanting to use it more.

There is a hall rental on May 24 that has determined they need a larger place for their event and would like to know if they can get a refund. Motion by Bruce to refund to Jennifer Jachim for May 24 due to the advance notice. Support by Jan. Motion carried.

Tim from the Road Comm was here and the Quit Claim Deed signed and completed.

**Pay Bills:** Paid at the annual meeting.

**Assessor's Report:** Board of Review will be Thursday from 1-4 and 6-9 on Thursday.

**Elections:** Election went well. We had 130 AV ballots and 194 voters for a total of 324 votes cast. Thee results were Democrats 157 votes and Republicans 167.

**Roads:** Gary noted that the county road commission had a street sweeper our on Monroe Rd. sweeping gravel. Bruce has done a verbal survey of township supervisors and they either had or were considering a road millage. Dee to find out the deadline to put a road millage on the August ballot. Passage of 2 Mills would give us about \$120,000 per year and at the present time it costs about \$100,000 for 1 mile of blacktop. Gary suggested informal meetings to inform the residents if we proceed with the millage.

**Brady Lake:** Nothing happening at this time.

**Roads:** Motion by Bruce to do 2 additional brinings, supported by Gary. Motion carried.

**Township Hall:** Bob indicates that he will have to dig up the new connections to check them out.

**Adjournment:** Bruce declared meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

**Next Meeting** April 8, 2020 at 7 pm.