

Blendon Township  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 17, 2020

1. **The meeting was called to order** at 7:00 pm by Treasurer Greg Golembiewski.
  - a. Tonight's moderator of the meeting will be Treasurer Greg Golembiewski, at the request of new Township Supervisor, Kevin Peters.

2. **Invocation** was given by Trustee Stan Taylor

3. **The Pledge of Allegiance** was recited by attendees.

4. **Roll Call: PRESENT:** Kevin Peters, Supervisor  
Robin Overway, Clerk  
Greg Golembiewski, Treasurer  
Stan Taylor, Trustee  
Paul Blauwkamp, Trustee

ATTENDING: Kurt Gernaat, Fire Chief

- Kevin Peters was introduced to the residents as the new Township Supervisor. He was interviewed and appointed by the Board at a Special Board Meeting that was held at 9:00 am on February 17, 2020.

5. **Motion to approve the agenda** with the following additions was made by Robin Overway, support by Paul Blauwkamp:

- **Under 13. New Business:**
  - e) Resolution 2020-02.01: Budget Line Item Reconciliation  
Motion Carried 5-0

6. **Motion to approve the January 20, 2020 meeting minutes** was made by Robin Overway, support by Stan Taylor.  
Motion Carried 5-0

a. **Motion to approve the February 4, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes** was made by Robin Overway, support by Paul Blauwkamp.  
Motion Carried 5-0

7. **Motion to approve the invoices** dated January 20, 2019 through February 17, 2020, was made by Paul Blauwkamp, support by Robin Overway.  
Motion Carried 5-0

8. **Public Comment for items not on the agenda:**

- None

9. **Treasurer's Report:**

- As Submitted

**10. Clerk's Report:**

- As Submitted

**11. Supervisor's Report:**

- None Submitted

**12. Monthly Reports:**

- a. Fire Department Activity Report
  - As Submitted
- b. Police Activity Report
  - As Submitted
- c. Assessor Report
  - None Submitted
- d. Cemetery Sexton Report
  - None Submitted
- e. Building Permit Report
  - As Submitted
- f. Building and Grounds Report
  - Verbal – no update
- g. Preliminary Planning Commission Minutes
  - As Submitted
  - Fire Chief Kurt Gernaat Highlighted
- h. ZBA Minutes
  - None Submitted

**13. New Business:**

a. **Introduction of Township Supervisor:**

- Kevin Peters was introduced to the residents as the new Township Supervisor. He was interviewed and appointed by the Board at a Special Board Meeting that was held at 9:00 am on February 17, 2020.

b. **Budget Hearing for March Meeting:**

- ***Motion to set the budget hearing for March 16, 2020 @ 7:30 pm was made by Robin Overway, support by Paul Blauwkamp.***

Motion Carried 5-0

c. **Tetra Property Conditional Rezone Ordinance 2020-02.01:**

- Fire Chief, Kurt Gernaat highlighted the conditional rezone
- ***Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-02.01 was made by Paul Blauwkamp, support by Kevin Peters.***

Roll Call: Yay: Robin Overway, Stan Taylor, Greg Golembiewski,  
Paul Blauwkamp, Kevin Peters

Nay:

Motion Carried 5-0

d. **Dust Control Discussion:**

- Fire Chief, Kurt Gernaat presented the quotes for the gravel road dust control for 2020.
  - 4 companies provided quotes
  - Board members reviewed and compared all of the quotes given

- Trustee, Paul Blauwkamp recommended, based on past experience, that we should go with the application of 3000 gallons per mile.
- ***Motion to hire Michigan Chloride Solutions at the rate of 3000 gallons per mile, 3 passes per road, for 3 total applications at the cost of \$97,000 was made by Greg Golembiewski, support by Paul Blauwkamp.***

Motion Carried 5-0

e. **Resolution 2020-02.01: Budget Line Item Adjustments**

- ***Motion to approve Resolution 2020-02.01 was made by Greg Golembiewski, support by Robin Overway.***

Roll Call: Yay: Stan Taylor, Paul Blauwkamp, Robin Overway  
Kevin Peters, Greg Golembiewski

Nay:

Motion Carried 5-0

14. **Old Business:**

a. **Board of Review Vacancies:**

- The following two people were appointed to the Board of Review at the February 4, 2020 special meeting:
  - Steve O'Connell, member
  - Joel Hoving, alternate

b. **Road Paving Updates:**

- Currently no money allocated for road paving
- Discussion ensued concerning a possible road millage
  - Historically fails in Blendon
  - Residents do not want money spent on paving roads
  - Next time a road millage is placed on the ballot it needs to be driven by the people not the township board.

c. **Board of Review Pay Rate:**

- Stan Taylor is awaiting additional information
- The Board chooses to take no action at this time

d. **Trustee Memorial Garden:**

- No new updates at this time
- Need to find another committee member.
  - Due to the appointment of Kevin Peters as Supervisor there would now be three board members on the committee, this is not allowed.
    - Kevin Peters to remain on the committee
    - Stan Taylor to step down

e. **Future Park:**

- No new updates at this time

15. **Information / Correspondence: None**

16. **Public Comments for items that were on the agenda: None**

**17. Upcoming Events:**

- a. Planning Commission Meeting – **March 3, 2020 @ 7:00 pm**
- b. Special Township Budget Workshop – **March 5, 2020 @ 9:00 am**
- c. Township Board Meeting – **March 16, 2020 @ 7:00 pm**

**18. Adjournment:**

- a. With no other business to be brought before the Board, a motion to adjourn at 8:08pm was made by Robin Overway, support by Paul Blauwkamp.

Motion Carried 5-0

Recorded by Tina Vander Schuur  
Submitted by Robin Overway, Township Clerk