

August 10, 2021

**Empire Township Board
Regular Meeting**

Supervisor Noonan called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Hall. Present were members Deegan, Carl Noonan, Casey Noonan, Neiswonger, and Price. Motion-Deegan; support-Casey Noonan to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2021 regular meeting as written. All ayes.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Price reported on CDs and bank accounts as of 07-31-2021. Report received as read.

Planning & Zoning Report: **1.)** Zoning Administrator, Tim Cypher, issued the following permits in July: 1) Addition-Bow Rd. 2) Fence-Dunns Farm Rd. 3) New Residences-Sleepy Valley and MacFarlane Rd. 4) Land Division-MacFarlane Rd. **2.)** Trustee Deegan explained that Planning worked on changes to the Glen Lake Watershed Overlay District, based on comments received at the June public hearing. On a vote of four-yes and one-no, the Commission approved sending the proposed overlay regulations, as changed, to Leelanau County Planning for their review.

Supervisor Report: 1.) Board reviewed a proposed declaration to add a Conflict of Interest section to the Board's agenda, in order for Board Members to declare any financial conflict of interest they might have with an agenda item. Motion-Deegan; support-Casey Noonan that the Empire Township Board add a Township Board agenda item that requires a Board member to declare any potential conflict of interest situation that might arise when one is making a decision in their government office capacity which could also impact a member's finances, and/or their relatives/family, employers, employees, or business partners. All ayes. 2.) The Board reviewed the Empire Chamber of Commerce Special Event application for the September 2021 Empire Hill Climb submitted by Paul Skinner. Motion was made by Deegan; support-Casey Noonan that the Empire Township Board approves the 2021 Empire Hill Climb Special Event application, contingent on a favorable review and report from the Leelanau County's Emergency Management Director. All ayes.

Clerk Report: 1.) Motion-Deegan; support-Casey Noonan to pay the August 2021 monthly bills as presented and attached. All ayes.

All business being concluded the meeting was adjourned by the Supervisor at 7:52 p.m.

Christine M. Neiswonger, Clerk