

11-16-2020

## Florence Township Regular Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00. Tom, Sue and Ben were present and Mike and Joe joined by teleconference. The clerk read the minutes of the last meeting. There was a motion made and second to approve as read. The motion passed. The treasurer's report is as follows: A beginning checking and money market balance of \$643,394.91, receipts of \$3,692.62, disbursements of \$9,093.01 for a total checking and money market balance of 637,994.57. We still have the one CD for \$89,357.49 for a total cash and investment of \$737,352.06.

Zoning-There was a motion made and second to approve the amendment to zoning ordinance to have Township elevation requirements for structures in flood plain district be the same as the county zoning standards. The elevation of new road access for emergency vehicles to be within 2 feet of regional flood plain will remain in the ordinance. The motion passed.

Joe Haley 307<sup>th</sup> Street Way his previous permit was removed and a new permit was submitted due to the flood plane elevation changes. There was a motion made and second to approve Joe Haley's permit. The motion passed.

Planning Commission- Town Board Approved Zoning amendment to remove Florence Township elevation requirements for structures in Flood Plain District and adopting Goodhue County Zoning standards. Elevation of new road access for emergency vehicles to be within 2 ft of regional flood plain to remain on ordinance.

Update on Septic Study for Frontenac Station. Letters have been sent to 41 property owners out of 108 properties for free inspections and free pumping of septics. Owners do not need to be present for the inspections, but need to give permission to inspectors. Please put word out to the public. Good probability that the community will qualify for future funding for community septic upgrade.

Parks-NRP will be working in Valhalla Park there are three priorities that will be conveyed to them before any woody removal. Preserving the canopy is a priority if box elder or ash are necessary to maintain the canopy they will not be cut. Native saplings will not be removed unless the pose a problem with proximity to another tree. Special care will be given to those properties that directly border Valhalla Park i.e. Chateau Frontenac.

Jean Pontzer had pictures of trees that were cut in Valhalla Park without permission. We need to find out what we can do if residents cut any trees on Township property without

permission.

HPC-We had a remodel review for Larry Huneke that we could not complete due to the meeting being a tele-conference. We continued our discussion the historic boundaries it appears from a 1991 document that the boundaries already were expanded to include the Villa and North Lake Avenue Way. The boundaries would go from the lake on the east and the state park on the west. Bronze plaques have been put on the signs entering into Old Frontenac. Thank You Bill Bruce for donating the plaques and the labor.

Friends of the Town Hall- No report

All outstanding bills were paid

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00

Respectfully submitted

Susan M. Eisenmenger, Clerk