

# August 6, 2018 Alganssee Township Board Minutes

**A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER** on Monday, August 6, 2018 at 7:30pm. Supervisor Russ Jennings called the Alganssee Township Board meeting to order at the Alganssee Township Hall, 378 South Ray Quincy Road, Quincy, Michigan. All members were present- Supervisor Russ Jennings, Treasurer Ann Strong, Trustee John Shilling, Trustee Harold Sneath and Clerk Suzanne Preston. Visitors present that signed in were Fred Avra, Jamie Wietecki, Tom & Cindy Bland- 114 Wright Rd. and Don Vrablic- Branch County Commissioner.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**- Clerk Suzanne Preston led us in the pledge to the American flag.

**B. AGENDA- ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS**- Suzanne Preston motioned to accept agenda with addition of Branch District Library Director Linda Lyshol to the first Public Comment. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT**- Branch District Library Director came to bring us the 2017 Branch District Library Report. She also explained the updated Plan of Service agreement and how will it affect the Alganssee Library, the Morton Library Funds need to be put into a CD and looking at buildings to better suit the community. Supervisor Russ Jennings asked if there was any other public comment. There wasn't any.

**D. MINUTES- July 2, 2018 minutes**- Ann Strong motioned to accept the July 2, 2018 Alganssee Township Board minutes. Harold Sneath supported the motion. Motion carried.

**June 25 , 2018 Planning Commission minutes**- John Shilling motioned to accept the June 25, 2018 Planning Commission minutes. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

## E. TREASURER'S REPORT

**E. 1. July Treasurer's Report**- Treasurer Ann Strong reported the township's balance for July was \$539,805.88 with income for the month of July was \$27,688.87 and expenses for the month of June were \$41,918.29, giving a balance of \$525,576.46 for the month of August. The Clerk agrees. Harold Sneath motioned to accept the Treasurer's report. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried.

## F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

**F. 1. Quincy Fire Association**- Supervisor Russ Jennings reported the August meeting for the Quincy Fire Association was cancelled so the next meeting will be second Tuesday in October. Harold Sneath and Supervisor Russ Jennings attended a special meeting with Quincy Fire Department- is getting quotes for a new fire truck.

**F. 2. Planning Commission Report**- John Shilling reported Planning Commission approved Nick Van Heusden special use request 149 Crockett Drive, #120-G20-000-002-00 allow larger than allowed accessory building. John Shilling motioned to approve Nick Van Heusden special use request. Harold Sneath supported the motion. Motion carried.

**F. 3. Zoning Board of Appeals**- Harold Sneath reported met on July 27<sup>th</sup> for variance request from Sam Girod 671 S. Ray Quincy Rd #120-034-300-010-98 for variance setback, approved his request.

**F. 4. Website- [algansseetownship.com](http://algansseetownship.com)**- the website is working.

**F. 5. Ordinance Violations**- Gerl Pish at 1288 Fisher Rd.; 120-001-400-025-01 incomplete construction requires Alganssee Township zoning permit and Branch County Building permit, court date was June 28, 2018, but his attorney is hospitalized so moved the trial date back.

Todd Risedorph- Supervisor Russ Jennings stopped by to let him know he has until September 1<sup>st</sup> to clean up his property 230 S. Stringtown Rd, Quincy, MI 49082, property code #120-012-100-020-01.

Donato property- Supervisor Russ Jennings reported he has received a letter from several property owners on Donnell and Bennett Drives that he has excessive amount of tires on his property. Chris Donato Jr. said he would remove tires the week of July 2<sup>nd</sup>, has them stored in a trailer.

## G. OLD BUSINESS

**G. 1. Quincy Fire Department Capital Budget Proposal**- Supervisor Russ Jennings reported that the Capital Budget increase for 2018 is \$15,000 overall, with Alganssee Township's share at \$3,900. Ann Strong motioned to approve the 2018 Quincy Fire Department's Capital Budget with Alganssee Township's share of \$3,900. Harold Sneath supported the motion. Motion carried.

**G. 2. Dust Control Bid**- John Shilling reported S & M Liquid Tirefill applied the dust control for Alganssee Township's 29 miles of gravel roads for \$0.14/gallon, another coat of dust control for \$0.12/gallon. Ann Strong motioned for S & M Liquid Tire Fill apply dust control. Support by Suzanne Preston. Motion carried.

**G. 3. Any Other Old Business**- none

## H. NEW BUSINESS

**H. 1. Approval for Morton Library Funds to be deposited into a CD**- Supervisor Russ Jennings reported the Morton Library Fund of \$29,500 will be deposited into a CD to make a little money. John Shilling motioned

to have the Library deposit the Morton Library Fund of \$29,000 into a CD for not any longer than one year. Ann Strong supported the motion. Motion carried.

**H. 2. Update on the Branch County District Library Plan of Service Agreement-** Erica Ewers gave us an update of the Branch County District Plan of Service Agreement.

**H. 3. Aquatic Weed Control Special Assessment-** Supervisor Russ Jennings reported he is going to send the property owners who have a weed control special assessment district set up with the township to change to the weed control special assessment district with Progressive Engineering because it is cheaper and doing a better job. There will need to be 2 public hearings in order to change the special assessment districts.

**H. 4.** Supervisor Russ Jennings reported he received a request from CBPU for \$33/Algansee Resident at the Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event held Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup> at Schubatis Hall at the Branch County Fairgrounds. Suzanne Preston motioned to pay the \$33/Algansee resident who brings in their hazardous waste. Support by Ann Strong. Motion carried.

**Any Other New Business-** none

**I. Payment of Bills-** Bills was presented in the amount of \$21,336.50. Harold Sneath motioned to pay the bills. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried.

## **J. SPECIAL REPORTS**

**J. 1. Zoning Administrator's Report-** Zoning Administrator Matt Ashenfelter reported he issued 6 zoning permits for July-

**1. Zoning Permit 944** property owner Joseph Girod at 651 S. Ray Quincy Rd., property code #120-034-300-010-01, Ag, to build an 8 x 24 covered front porch, 7-2-2018, \$40.

**2. Zoning Permit 945** property owner Louis Graber at 587 S. Ray Quincy Rd., property code #120-027-300-065-00, Ag, to build a 16 x 60 barn on slab, 7-1-2018, \$40.

**3. Zoning Permit 946** property owner Donald Leutz at 213 S. Lake Shore Dr., property code #120-L20-000-017-00, R1, to build a 10 x 10 pergola(lakeside), 7-11-2018, \$40.

**4. Zoning Permit 947** property owner Jason Shilling at 359 S. Ray Quincy Rd., property code #120-015-100-010-00, Ag, to build a 42' dia. X 52' high grain bin w/ grain leg , 7-18-2018, \$40.

**5. Zoning Permit 948** property owner Jerry Owens, 219 S. Fremont Rd., #120-007-100-045-00, R1, to build 12 x 36 open deck & 10 x 24 covered deck reissued original permit expired 4-18-2018, 7-30-2018, \$40.

**6. Zoning Permit 949** property owner Sam Girod at 671 S. Fremont Rd., property code #120-034-300-010-98, Ag, 8 x 23 kitchen addition & 8 x 23 covered porch, 7-30-2018, \$40.

**J. 2. Branch County Commissioner's Report-** Don Vrablic gave his July report on the Branch County Commissioners as follows- 1. County has 2 mileages on the August 7<sup>th</sup> ballot 2. Audit- highest opinion, 3. MIDC Funding Approval, 4. Opidiod Litigation, 5. Scrap Tire Recycling August 18<sup>th</sup> Plus 1. Branch County commissioners encourage everyone to visit the fair.

**J. 3. Algansee Library Email Report-** Algansee Library Branch Manager Janice Clark emailed her August Report as follows- Circulation 236, Hours 104, Attendance 285, In house computer use 27, Wireless 659, 93 loans to other Libraries in Michigan, 28 checkouts to our patrons from other Libraries in Michigan. Summer Reading was a great success for all Libraries in Branch County. Here at Algansee we had 10 Children sign up with all finishing. The 21 Young Adults signed up with 15 finishing. There were 9 Adults signed up with 8 finishing. All the participants received prizes. On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> the Young Adult Team came out here for a self-defense class, we had 2 teens attend; the girls had fun and said they learned a lot of self-defense moves. We have lots of fun crafts for all. August 14<sup>th</sup> for children a Safari Babies Workshop and a Daisy Flower wreath for Adults August 18<sup>th</sup>. On August 17<sup>th</sup> the Young Adult team will have an ice cream social at 2:00. Any questions on these programs please call 639-9830. Any questions or suggestions please let us know. Come and check out your Library!

**J. 4. Assessor's Report-** Assessor Erica Ewers gave her August assessing report as follows: the first Township Officials hearing on the new proposed legislation for HB 6049 and SB 1025 will be in Gaylord August 14<sup>th</sup>. The new assessing manual has been installed but found 33 building errors. These have been corrected. The Lake Wide Aquatic Weed special assessment mailing list, assessment roll, and maps were prepared for the 475 parcels in the district and sent to Drain Commissioner Mike Hard, Progressive Engineering and Supervisor Russ Jennings. The Equalization Department sent out sales studies on July 20. Data entry is caught up including all splits approved by the July Board of Review. July Board of Review was held July 17 at 2pm, the board approved 9 petitions plus 1 veteran exemption and 1 hardship exemption. One hardship exemption was denied. She is continuing to pick up data at Equalization, Building Inspection and Branch County Abstract & Title Office.

**K. Correspondences-**MTA regional meetings coming up.

**L. Public Comment-**Jamie Wieteki asked about putting up a yield sign by Donnell and Bennett Drives. Supervisor Russ Jennings told him need to form an association. Cindy Bland wondered how the Wilmin Drive bridge repair was coming along and wondered about receiving a map for Fisher Cemetery.

**M. Next Meeting-** Supervisor Russ Jennings reported the next regular meeting will be Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 7:30pm at the Algansee Township Hall. John Shilling asked if I had checked with the insurance company about liability insurance.

**N. Adjournment-** Harold Sneath motioned to adjourn. Support by John Shilling. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm. Suzanne Preston, Clerk