

ANNUAL MEETING
PARTRIDGE TOWNSHIP
March 13, 2018

The Clerk called the annual meeting to order at 8:10. Those present were Janet Fischer, Jennifer Wieczorek, Laurie Jorgensen, David and Cindy Durheim, Teresa Heller, Ovid Jensen, Lee Johnsen, Larry Johnsen, Gary Stitt, Joey Stitt and Anne Stitt.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Motion made by Jennifer to have Gary Stitt act as moderator, 2nd by Ovid, Motion carried 12-0. The Clerk turned the meeting over.

Minutes of the 2017 Annual Meeting were read, motion by Lee Johnsen to accept the minutes as read with the correction of the 2014 to 2016 date, 2nd by Larry Johnsen. Motion carried 12-0.

Election results were as follows: Total of 72 Ballots cast, Supervisor Larry Johnsen received 7 votes, Jennifer Wieczorek received 22, there were 43 write in votes for Matt Klocke, Clerk Anne Stitt received 68 votes, Janet Fischer received 1 vote and there were 3 blank ballots.

The treasurer's report was read. We had a beginning balance \$161,023.91, receipts totaled \$132,256.57 and disbursements of \$149,488.31 to bring our ending balance of 2017 \$143,792.17. There was a transfer of \$13,083.95 between General and Fire Fund so that the Fire Fund ended the year with a \$0.00 balance instead of negative. Ovid made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Joey Stitt made a second and the motion passed 12-0.

Odey Wicklander joined the meeting.

Discussion was held about the roads. Ovid said that the crossing at Root Road was filled in and reclaimed the side of the edges, there was also work done to the Mulling Road at the train crossing as well. Clark Road with permission from the landowner was ditched out back through the land to help the water flow away from the road way. The water was causing real issues with the road washing out. We crushed 6,000 yards of gravel this year. Ronnie Roberts purchased a new piece of equipment which was used to spread some sand when the roads got icy, we are not in the practice of spreading sand on our roads, however, at that moment the road conditions required us to.

Presentation and approval of the levy:

Discussion on the Askov Fire Contract, the fire contract has increased due to the new fire formula and we have raised the levy in the past to offset, it appears that the increase this year was only about \$3,000. Ovid said that our intent had been to raise the levy over the first 3 years to try to offset the increase each year, and now it appears to have leveled off. Discussion continued about the town hall, we have been levying for building improvements and have enough to cover the new windows that will be put in this spring and Sentence To Serve will finish painting. Janet Fischer made a motion keep the tax levy the same, Jennifer made a second. Motion carried 13-0.

Tax Levy: \$118,000.00
General: \$16,000.00
Road & Bridge: \$63,000.00
Fire: \$33,000.00
Zoning: \$5,000.00
Building Maintenance: \$1,000.00

Business from the floor:

Odey asked about his culvert and if the Township would be fixing it. Ovid said that they had previously stated it would be look at during the spring road inspection. Odey said that it is worse now. Ovid said he would look at it, however, roads are froze now so they can't repair it. Odey said he would not clean out the culvert and it might flood the road.

The DNR sign is no longer an issue as the DNR will fix the sign.

Ovid said he would like to thank Larry for his years of service on the Board and he was given a round of applause.

The next regular Board meeting is Thursday April 5, 2018. The reorganizational meeting is set for Thursday April 5, 2018 at 6:30 at the Askov Community Center. The regular April Board meeting of supervisors will be call to order immediately after the reorganization meeting is adjourned. Public is welcome to attend.

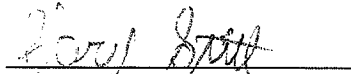
2019 Annual Election and Meeting is Tuesday 3/12/2019 at 8:00 pm following the Election.

Gary Stitt adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Anne M. Stitt
Clerk



Gary Stitt
Moderator