

**Minutes of the Regular Athens Town Board Meeting Held
November 5, 2018 at the Town Hall**

Board members present: Lyle Reynolds, Barb Kilpatrick, Chris Olson, Dave Beckstrom, Clerk Diane Carpenter, Treasurer Marlys Balfany, and Ryan Grittman

Guests: Steve Hass, Todd Christensen, Dave Henderson, Mike Warring, Kathy Lahti, Jerome Pikus, Marylee Blom, Cindy Reynolds, Craig Bjorklund, Andrew Dahlen

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

M/S Lyle Reynolds/Barb Kilpatrick to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Action items were reviewed. None remained.

Approve Agenda

M/S Chris Olson/Lyle Reynolds to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Planning and Zoning

-The variance on Naples was still tabled in P&Z.

-M/S Lyle Reynolds/Chris Olson to approve Ordinance 2018-11, the rural tourism ordinance. Motion passed unanimously with Dave Beckstrom abstaining.

-P&Z voted 4-0 to approve the Warring Plat.

M/S Lyle Reynolds/Chris Olson to approve the plat. Motion passed unanimously.

-A lengthy discussion was held regarding the solar farm and the coverage of trees and neighbor's adjoining property. Dave and Ryan will visit the sight again.

-Lyle gave a county update.

Roads

-The grading is pretty much done for the year.

-Tree trimming is done.

-The road review is completed for fall.

-M/S Chris Olson/Barb Kilpatrick to close the road review meeting at 8:25 on 11/5/18. Motion passed unanimously.

-Mailboxes are not yet installed on the new paving. Shouldering should be done soon, but it may be spring before mailboxes can be installed.

-A discussion was held about the culverts and new homes on Xeon. Ryan will get a copy of the county driveway restrictions.

Fire

-No fire report.

Parks

-The balance in the park fund was 31,069.77.

-There will be no park meetings until spring.

Clerk's Report

-M/S Dave Beckstrom/Chris Olson to accept John Bartz' resignation. Motion passed unanimously.

-Everything is set for tomorrow's election.

-The board of canvass meeting is set for November 9, 2018 at 5:45 at the town hall.

The newsletter has been sent out.

Treasurer's Report

M/S Chris Olson/Lyle Reynolds to approve the Treasurer's Report, Claims List for Approval, and Net Pay Account Distribution Report (checks 6598-6618 totaling 374,454,84). Motion passed unanimously.

Marlys gave a budget update.

We received an email from Andy about safety issues at the trailer park. This is Dept of Health jurisdiction.

Mike gave a county update.

M/S Lyle Reynolds/Chris Olson to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Carpenter Athens Township Clerk

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