Irving Township Board Meeting

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**Board Meeting November 13, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm with the pledge of allegiance.

Board Members: Dean Bass, Mike Buehler, Jamie Knight, and Sharon Olson, and Lynnette Wingeier were in attendance. Also present was Commissioner Smelker and Legislative Aide Thye Fischman.

Knight made motion to approve the agenda with the addition of a legislative update from Representative Julie Calley’s office by Legislative Aide Thye Fischman. Supported by Buehler. All “Yes” vote to approve agenda with one addition.

Legislative Update from the Office of Julie Calley by Thye Fischman reguarding the Budget negotiations and recently passed legislation pertaining to financial disclosure, campaign finance, wrongful conviction compensation, and raise the age reform.

Reports:

Fire and Assessor reports were read by Knight.

Commissioner’s report was given by Smelker regaurding the Commission on Aging and Jail mileages. Reference the 2015 Facilities Management Plan. Available on the Barry County Website. [www.Barrycounty.org](http://www.Barrycounty.org)

Public input: Jon Smelker advised the board that the Historical Society has added content to the Web page on the Irvingtownship.org web addresss under the Historical content.

Knight made the motion to accept the Clerk’s minutes From October 9, 2019 . Seconded by Buehler. All “yes” vote to accept the minutes as written. Motion passed.

Board Member comments: Olson gave an update on the election from 11-5-2019 and the resulting audit to be conducted by the County Clerk, Pam Palmer on 11-20-2019.

Also, Olson spoke of the effort to encourage absentee voting to reduce election day traffic at the poll, the need to establish an absent voter counting board the physical requirements for the sequestering of that board, and the possible help from the state with the cost of a second tabulator for an Absent Voter Counting Board.

Treasurer’s report was reviewed by Wingeier. Tax bills will be mailed out the first week of December and are Due February 14, 2020.

Knight made motion to pay bills of $31,284.11. seconded by Bass. Roll Call vote all “yes”. Motion passed.

Knight made motion to adjourn at 7:10 pm. Seconded by Buehler. Vote was all “yes”. Motion passed.

Upcoming Dates:

December 11, 2019 5:30 pm Board of Review

December 11, 2019 6:30 pm Regular Board Meeting