

**REGULAR MEETING
KENTLAND TOWN HALL
MARCH 13TH, 2018 5:00 P.M.**

Attending: Lowell Mitchell, President, David Smart and James Sammons, Members, Patrick Ryan, Attorney and Judy King, Clerk/Treasurer

TOWN ATTORNEY:

Patrick Ryan, Town Attorney, presented the Board with an Ordinance to Establish Town Council Districts. The precincts have been re-established and are as follows:

- (1) First District**
- (2) Second District**
- (3) Third District**

A map dated April 25th, 1980 serves as the boundaries for the three districts or election precincts.

A motion was made by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons to adopt Ordinance #2018-03-13-01 for Establishment of Town Council Districts.

Any questions regarding this matter will all be directed to Pat Ryan.

Pat is also working on a Backflow Ordinance and Regulatory Well Ordinance. He should have these ready for review at the April meeting.

Jordan Manufacturing is asking for a tax abatement. Pat suggested calling the Assessor to find out exactly what the cost would be and maybe we set a criteria for incoming businesses. This will be tabled until April's meeting.

PARK BOARD:

Dustin Standish has purchased 16,000 pounds of mulch to fill in around the playground equipment at the parks.

TOWN MANAGER:

Dustin Standish reported that testing is ongoing at the sewage plant to comply with the state mandatory of phosphorus. We need to have everything up and going by March 19th, 2018 in order to comply. The chemical feed is active and working.

Paving for roads in town is ready to go just waiting on the funds from the state. This is 2017 funding.

Three bids have been obtained for new vehicles for the town. We will be trading 3 trucks in and purchasing 2. Cost would be \$1,562.00 if we go with the lowest bid from Emerson-Sondgerath. A motion was made by James Sammons and seconded by David Smart

to obtain two new vehicles through Emerson-Sondgerath and to rotate vehicles every two years.

The computer system at the sewage plant is not working properly and a software package to run our programs is loaded on the computer from BL Anderson. Have talked with BL Anderson is regards to reloading their software and total cost will be around \$20,000.00. A motion was made by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons to order and replace the computer equipment at the sewage plant.

TOWN MARSHAL

Julian Elson reported that Patrick Williams will be graduating on March 16th, 2018.

There were 96 calls for the month

Julian is requesting to purchase a new police car. He has obtained 3 bids and the lowest would be Emerson-Sondgerath at \$37,833.80. A motion was made by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons to order a new police car. If enough funds are not available to purchase the car the remainder will be taken from land fill.

FIRE CHIEF:

Vince Lowe wanted to thank Kentland Jefferson Township for the purchase of a new medical vehicle for the fire department. It has been taken to Lafayette to get it outfitted and hopefully the sale of the old vehicle will take care of the costs. Calls on medical were 187 for 2017.

A big thank you from Watseka Fire Department for the help of the Kentland Fire Department during the flood for rescue.

There were 7 fire calls and 19 medicals for the month.

AVIATION

Chuck Classen reported that fuel sales are picking up.

The Airport Board met with Tim Brisco and is giving their approval for the Town Board to appoint him to the Airport Board. A motion was made by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons to add Tim Brisco to the Airport Board with a 4 year term.

CLERK

Judy King presented old checks that need to be voided and put back in to the correct bank accounts from 2015. A motion was made by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons to accept Resolution #2018-03-13 "Old Outstanding Checks To Be Voided".

Judy also presented Miscellaneous Appropriation Transaction List to move funds for end of year clean up.

The sign for U.S. 41 for the downtown businesses was brought up again. Dustin Standish will see if he can't get the plans from Jason Swartz and get someone on making a new sign for the intersection.

A letter was introduced for inquiring funds for Little Grid Iron Cheerleading. James Sammons felt that the funds should be asked for from Township Trustee's and not the towns.

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion by James Sammons and seconded by David Smart the minutes from February 13th, 2018 were approved.

Upon motion by James Sammons and seconded by David Smart the claims were approved.

Upon Motion by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons the financial report was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Terry Dieter asked if someone could contact the railroad about the crossings in town. Dustin Standish has called several times with no return phone calls about this.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Gary Foster asked that an ordinance book be put at the library. Judy King stated that they did not have an extra book to give to the library.

Being no further business, upon motion by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons, meeting was adjourned.