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REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
March 12, 2024

L. Fitz, Supervisor, called the meeting to order @ 7:00pm

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance, led by L. Fitz

Roll call, officials present: Lou Fitz, Supervisor; Karen Fickies, Clerk; Brandy Myers, Treasurer; Dave Bass, Trustee; Jack Hankiewicz, Trustee

Citizens in attendance (6)

Agenda Revisions:

- None K. Fickies-motion to approve agenda as printed, B. Myers-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0

Minute's approval:

- L. Fitz-motion to approve February 13, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Board Member Reports:

Supervisor-L. Fitz

- Board of Review Appeals meeting 3/11 and 3/16/24.

K. Fickies-Clerk

- Non-Periodicals None
- Request to approve all funds bills paid in February, 2024, L. Fitz-motion to approve all Fund reports as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Hall Leases, LMWCC, Board of Review 3/16/24 2-9pm
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter

B. Myers-Treasurer

- B. Myers, Treasurer's report for February 2024 , K.Fickies-motion to accept Treasurer's report as printed, D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0.
- 25 Month CD has Matured and B. Myers has put those funds into an 11 month CD at 5.05%

D. Bass, Trustee

- Reported on new legislation in the works regarding Wake Boats, 20' depth and no closer than 500' from shoreline.
- Also ongoing legislation in the works to remove township authority over Solar, wind, etc. and put into the state hands

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- None

Public Comments:

- Amy Shank, Luther Library Director, what can she do for the township
- B. Myers, School play March 14, 15,16, at Fountain Township Hall at 6:30pm, \$10 admission. Play put on by Mason County Eastern school.

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner- No report
- Sheriff- No report (see report on file)
- Fire Board-No report
- SEEJBA-No report

- Road Commissioner – No report
- Assessor- No Report.
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Jeff Mather, reviewed 11 ongoing cases. He has talked to our township attorney about 2 cases that are problems that do not seem to be getting resolved. (report on file)
- Big Bass Lake SAD- D. Bass, There is a communication issue, again, with PLM and the BBLSD, he will be meeting with PLM to try to resolve this.
- Harper Lake SAD – D. Bass, no report
- Road Committee- No report.
- Cemetery Committee-J. Hankiewicz, Cemetery looks good
- Emergency Management-No report

Old Business:

- ARPA Funds, Reviewed the Project List. K. Fickies will contact Molan Asphalt for quote on sealing parking lot and possibly stripping the Handicap area only. Also, purchasing computer and printer for Supervisor, Jeff Mather will get quotes. Quote from Carrot-Top Industries for Veterans Flags for Cemetery at a cost not to exceed \$2500. Motions to purchase 1440 flags not to exceed \$2500 (including shipping and purchase of plastic totes), K. Fickies-seconded, roll call vote. Motion carried 5-0-0. Also working on quote for speaker system for Hall. All using ARPA funds.

New Business:

- Board of Review members, new Alternate, Kim Nyson, to be sworn in at her earliest convenience. B. Myers-motion to approve all Board of Review Members, D. Bass-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 5-0-0
- Spring Junk Drop-off Day flyer and information, prepared by Jeff Mather, June 8, 2024 at Skinner Park from 9am to Noon. K. Fickies will send to Jackpine for addition to our Web Page
- Resolution 2024-07 To Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test. L. Fitz-motion to adopt resolution, B. Myers-seconded, roll call vote, resolution adopted 5-0-0
- Discussion regarding BBLSD amount in account. There are enough funds in the account to cover about 2 years' worth of costs. Suggested we approve not assessing BBLSD property owners for 1 year, beginning December 2024 taxes.
- Review Proposed 2024-2025 Budget along with YTD Actuals.

Public Comment:

- None

Adjournment:

- B. Myers-motion to adjourn at pm 8:26, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk

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