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REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
August 13, 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, Excused; Dave Bass, Trustee;

Jack Hankiewicz, Trustee

Citizens in attendance (7)

Agenda Revisions:

- None K. Fickies motion to approve agenda as printed D. Bass-seconded, , motion carried 4-0-0

Minute's approval:

- L. Fitz-motion to approve July 9, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 4-0-0

Board Member Reports:

Supervisor-L. Fitz

- River Rd. project progressing

K. Fickies-Clerk

- Non-Periodicals: None
- Request to approve all funds bills paid in July, 2024, J. Hankiewicz-motion to approve all Fund reports as printed, D. Bass -seconded, motion carried 4-0-0
- Budget Amendment -\$3,000 from General Funds to 101-171-790 Supervisor Capital Outlay, L. Fitz-motion to approve amendment, K. Fickies-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 4-0-0
- Hall Leases, LMWCC; Harper Lake Assoc., 8/31/24 8:30-10am; Cool Lake Assoc. 8/31/24 12-1:30pm
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter; Mason-Lake Conservation District Newsletter; Dept. of Natural Resources open hose 8/20/224 at Carl T. Johnson Hunt and Fish Center in Cadillac 3-6pm; Email from John Schwalm regarding large boats and snagging on Little Manistee River, would like advise and township support. D. Bass-motion to authorize L. Fitz to respond, K. Fickies-seconded, motion carried 4-0-0
- August 6, 2024 Election 354 voters. K. Fickies thanked all the Election Worker for a outstanding job. There is going to be a recount of the Judge race this week.

S. Macaig-DeputyTreasurer

- Treasurer's report for July 2024. K Fickies-motion to accept Treasurer's report as printed, D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 4-0-0.

D. Bass, Trustee

- None

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- None

Public Comments:

- None

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner- M. Seroczynski reported that by December 31, 2024 the County will be debt free. Building Dept. will be changing time for building permits from 6 months to 1 year, with no increase in cost. Township setting speed limits on various roads in discussion
- Sheriff- (report on file)
- SEED Fire Board-Gary Nugent report 29 runs (report on file)
- Road Commissioner – No report
- Assessor- (report on file)
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Jeff Mather, reviewed 9 ongoing cases. (report on file)
- Big Bass Lake SAD- D. Bass, PLM did treatment, results to coming
- Harper Lake SAD – D. Bass, PLM did treatment, results to coming
- Road Committee- No report. In need of new Chairperson and committee
- Cemetery Committee-Facia on tool shed needs to be painted, a couple of trees need to be removed
- Emergency Management-No Report

#### Old Business:

- ARPA Funds, Reviewed the Project List reviewed. K. Fickies read explanation from Accountant regarding roll over of left over funds, not under contract by 12/31/24 into General Account.
- ARPA Funds, Speaker System, J. Hankiewicz-motion to purchase Sound System from B&H Photo, Video, at a cost not to exceed to \$2,000, K. Fickies-seconded, discussion: D. Bass contacted company, shipping will be free, F. Bass and his son will help install roll. Roll call vote, motion carried 4-0-0
- ARPA Funds, Top dressing of road in Cemetery, reviewed bids. L. Fitz-motion to authorize L. Fitz to sign contract with Fischer Corp. for a cost not to exceed \$7,000, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 4-0-0
- ARPA Funds, Tree removal at township hall, reviewed bids. K. Fickies-motion to sign contract with Ronau Tree Service with a cost not to exceed \$4,000, L. Fitz-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 4-0-0
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#### New Business:

- Unexpected “double” burial expenses. K. Fickies-motion to pay Adam’s Northwoods and Mike Stamann (Cemetery Sextons) for digging 2 graves, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 4-0-0
- Assessor Contract from Beach Services reviewed new contract at an annual cost of \$29,540 beginning September 15, 2024. Contract commences August 1, 2024 and ends July 31, 2026. L. Fitz-motion to authorize L. Fitz to sign contract, K. Fickies-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 4-0-0

#### Public Comment:

- None

#### Adjournment:

- D. Bass-motion to adjourn at pm 8:33 pm, L. Fitz-seconded, motion carried 4-0-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk  
August 13, 2024