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REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
November 14, 2023

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 (10)

Agenda Revisions:

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

Minute's approval:

- L. Fitz-motion to approve October 10, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 4-0-1

Board Member Reports:

Supervisor-L. Fitz

- No Report

K. Fickies-Clerk

- Non-Periodicals None
- Request to approve all funds bills paid in October, 2023, J. Hankiewicz-motion to approve all Fund reports as printed, B. Myers-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Hall Leases, LMWCC, Birthday Party 11/18/23, 1-4pm
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter, Michigan Railroad Assoc. newsletter.

B. Myers-Treasurer

- B. Myers,Treasurer's report for October,2023, K.Fickies-motion to accept Treasurer's report as printed, L. Fitz-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0.

D. Bass, Trustee

- Old narrow gauge railroad track from Mac Rd. to Cemetery being cleaned up by D. Bass.

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- None

Public Comments:

- Joyce Durdel talked about Old narrow gauge rail road track and possibility of making it a historical site. She and D. Bass will coordinate, possible ARPA funds to consider
- Dillon Highshetter apologized for his actions on July 2, 2023 which did damage to Hall. He will be doing 15 hours of community service in township, working Trash Day and looking for other opportunities to fulfil obligation. L. Fitz accepted his apology on behalf of the township
- Susan Almy requested information about ordinance for multiple trailers on property, noise, etc. D. Bass suggested we put Ordinance on next month agenda, L. Fitz noted this.

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner- Don Arquette (report on file)
- Sheriff- (report on file).
- Fire Board- Gary Nugent, 25 runs (report on file).

- Road Commissioner – No Report
- Assessor- (report on file)
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Jeff Mather, reported on 11 properties in violation. (report on file).
- Big Bass Lake SAD-D. Bass will be attending conference at MSU, December 1, 2023 for Wake Boat issues
- Harper Lake SAD – D. Bass reported no information
- Road Committee- No report.
- Cemetery Committee-J. Hankiewicz, Veteran’s Flags were removed today, he will count the number of flags left so we can place order for new ones.
- Emergency Management-No report

Old Business:

- ARPA Funds, Reviewed the Project List. Add Seal Coating of parking lot, L. Fitz will get quote from Molon Asphalt. Porch lights are up, money has not been transferred until labor cost are submitted. D. Bass/Joyce Durdel will get quote for Historical signage for Old Narrow gauge rail road site.

New Business:

- Citizen request for road signage for Towerview Rd. Discussed ordering 2 signs, (one for replacement). Price to be determined by LCRC. K. Fickies-motion to purchase 2 signs from LCRC and install on Towerview Rd., L. Fitz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Road Brining maps for 2024 reviewed. L. Fitz will ask for two quotes. 1) Full width brining and second application down middle. 2) Full width brining on both applications.
- Marian Bird resignation from SEED Fire Board and Elk Twp. Board of Review. Request for candidates to replace her position L. Fitz-motion to accept resignation with regret from SEED Board, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0. L. Fitz-motion to accept resignation with regret from Elk Twp. Board of Review, K.Fickies-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0. Jeff Mather was nominated for the position of SEED Board Alternate Member. L. Fitz asked for any other nominations, there were none. L. Fitz-motion to appoint Jeff Mather as SEED Board Alternative Member, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 5-0-0. L. Fitz swore Jeff Mather in as SEED Board Alternative Member.
- Request for candidates for Elk Township Board of Review, alternate member, Sharon Puff and Brandy Myers will contact possible candidates.

Public Comments: Dave Bass announced Ludington Performing arts will be holding the Michigan Mandolin Christmas concert December 16, 2023 at 7PM. Everyone invited, tickets will be on sale.

Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk  
November 14, 2023