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ELK TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2023

Lou 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 (18)

Agenda Revisions:

New Business- 1) Year to Date Actual Budget review 2) A-1 Service Annual Large Item Pickup quote. K. Fickies-motion to approve agenda as revised, D. Bass -seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Minute's approval:

- D. Bass-. motion to approve December 13, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; J. Hankiewicz- seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Board Member Reports:

L. Fitz, Supervisor

- LCTOA Meeting Thursday, January 26, 2023 7pm Chase Township Hall

K. Fickies, Clerk

- Non-Periodicals – None
- Request to approve all funds bills paid in December, 2022, L. Fitz-motion to approve all Fund reports as printed, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Budget Amendment \$600 from General Fund to 101-262-728 Election Software & Tech to cover Annual Maintenance Fee, L. Fitz-motion to approve Budget Amendment, B, Myers-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 5-0-0
- Hall Leases, LMWCC,
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter

B, Myers-Treasurer

- Treasurer's report for December, 2022. K. Fickies-motion to accept Treasurer's report as printed, J. D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0
- B. Myers introduced Susan McCaig as new Deputy Treasurer and thanked Sharon Puff for all her years of service.

D. Bass, Trustee

- No Report

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- None

Public Comments:

- None

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner- Don Arquette, (report on file)
- Sheriff-Sheriff Martin, reported on Blight in Baldwin and action taken to clean it up, upcoming information about Prosecuting Attorney office (report on file)
- Fire Board- Gary Nugent, 16 runs (report on file)
- SEEJBA Board- Jack Puff, nothing new to report, requested that the SEEJBA be taken off the agenda
- Road Commissioner – Postponed until Old Business

- Assessor- No report
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Jeff Mather, reported on 8 properties in violation (report on file)
- Big Bass Lake SAD-Dave Bass –reported on Publication about Milfoil, no new information
- Harper Lake SAD – No report
- Road Committee- Jackie McKellar-No report
- Cemetery Committee-J. Hankiewicz- no report, he will check the number of Veterans Flags in stock
- Emergency Management-No report

Old Business:

- Lake County Road Commission – LeRoy Williams reported that the bill for the Asphalt Aprons is paid in full, the charge for the 8 Mile patch covered by LCRC.
- LCRC Brining information discussed. Brining will be applied by LCRC. Zach Clothier from Great Lakes Chloride explained their brining product (Super brine) and benefits and costs. L. Fitz-motion to postpone action on brining until the February meeting, K. Fickies-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- LCRC ongoing road projects discussed. Top dressing Toma Trail, 11 Mile to Riverside Dr. and 11 Mile to Bear Track campground. K. Fickies-motion to request LCRC send contract for all three projects to Elk Township for approval, D. Bass-seconded, Roll Call vote, motion carried 5-0-0. B. Myers-motion to send contract on the 3 projects not to exceed \$49,000, L. Fitz-seconded, Roll Call vote, motion carried 5-0-0
- Brining maps, L. Fitz will complete and return to LCRC
- Board of Review Member list. Added Marian Bird as Alternate Member. B. Myers-motion to approve new list as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- ARPA Funds, B. Myers-motion to postpone discussion until February, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0

New Business:

- Resolution 2023-04 Annual Elk Township Monthly Meeting and Board of Review Schedule reviewed. K. Fickies-motion to adopt resolution as printed, B. Myers-seconded, roll call vote, motion adopted 5-0-0
- Resolution 2023-01 Resolution to Establish Elk Township Supervisor’s Salary by the Township Board reviewed. Salary to remain at \$14,000 annually. D. Bass-motion to adopt resolution as printed, B. Myers-seconded, roll call vote, resolution adopted 4-0-1
- Resolution 2023-02 Resolution to Establish Elk Township Clerks Salary by the Township Board reviewed. Salary to remain at \$15,000 annually. L. Fitz motion to adopt resolution as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, roll call vote, resolution adopted 4-0-1
- Resolution 2023-03 Resolution to Establish Elk Township Treasurer’s Salary by the Township Board reviewed. Salary to remain at \$15,000 annually. K. Fickies-motion to adopt resolution as printed, D. Bass-seconded, roll call vote, resolution adopted 4-0-1
- New lighting for parking lot. Current lighting is Halogen and are costly to replace, suggested we replace all lights with LED lights, cost to purchase \$99.99 each, plus installation by maintenance man. Discussion about where to expense cost to, decided on General Fund Building and Grounds Capital Outlay. K. Fickies-motion to purchase lights from Amazon and cost of installation by Township maintenance man not to exceed \$450 out of Building and Grounds Capital Outlay, L. Fitz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Year to Date Actual Budget review. No action required
 - A1 Service quote for June 10, 2023 Annual Large Item Pickup. Cost \$6,690. B. Myers-motion to authorize contract be signed as printed, D. Bass-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 5-0-0. D. Bass stated he will be working with a couple of groups of people to clean up the national forest.

Public Comment:

- D. Bass commented on mild winter and effects of weed growth in lake
- Jackie McKellar wanted to know how many miles of roads in Elk Township
- Jeff Mather questions on Brining
- Don Morrison question on Large Item Trash pickup day
- Lisa Adams requested to see the information D. Bass has on Milfoil
- Jack Puff commented on Super Brine used on his road
- Jackie McKellar asked if there were any volunteers to help pay for road improvement on 11 ½ Mile Rd.
- Joyce Durdel commented on Stronach Creek running under 11 ½ Mile Rd.

- Armas Soorus commented on Stronach Creek

Adjournment: to

- B. Myers-motion to adjourn at 8:53pm, K. Fickies-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk

January 10, 2023