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## Elk Township - Lake County, Michigan

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### ELK TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING

September 14, 2021

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 (10)

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 August 10, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; D. Bass- seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Board Member Reports:

L. Fitz, Supervisor

- Lake Co. Township Officer Association meeting Sept. 22, 2021, 7pm at Webber Twp
- Lake County Road Committee Brine meeting October 26, 2021, 6pm at Road Commission
- Music in the Park, approximately 65 people attended
- Gutters on Pavilion installed
- Parking Lot paving completed

K. Fickies, Clerk

- Non Periodicals - None
- Request to approve bills paid in August, 2021. Lou Fitz-motion to approve as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Budget Amendment \$300 from General Funds to 101-751-800 Parks & Recreation. L. Fitz-Motion to approve amendment, B. Myers-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Hall leases, Monday & Thursday Exercise classes; LMWCC, Sept. 21, 2021
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter
- Spectrum Communications purchased Golden Communication and will be switching over service to township hall on September 29<sup>th</sup> with upgrades to internet and phone.

B. Myers, Treasurer

- Treasurer's report for August, 2021. D. Bass-motion to accept Treasurer's report as printed. K. Fickies-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0.

D. Bass, Trustee

- No report

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- No Report

Public Comments:

- Kevin Storeberg question about Spectrum Comm. and switching over for private citizens

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner-Don Arquette (report on file)
- Sheriff-Sheriff- Incident report for August reviewed (report on file)

- Fire Board- Gary Nugent, 33 runs for August, (report on file).
- SEEJBA Board-Jack Puff- No structural damage to wall of new fire station due to trusses collapsing, working of office portion, all wells installed.
- Road Commissioner – No report. Brooks Rd., 9 Mile, Johnson Rd., 8 Mile project to begin this week
- Assessor-(Report on file)
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Joyce Durdel reported on activities. (report on file)
- Big Bass Lake SAD-No report, BBSAD is now completed
- Harper Lake SAD- No report
- Road Committee- No report
- Cemetery Committee-J. Hankiewicz – Need to winterize water at cemetery.
- Emergency Management-No report

#### Old Business:

- Removal of dead trees at Cemetery. Received 3 quotes, Irons Tree Service \$2,100; Roman Empire \$2,000; Call 1-800-cut-tree, \$7,000. K. Fickies-motion to hire Roman Empire at \$2,000, J. Hankiewicz-seconded. Discussion – D. Bass suggested we hire Irons Tree Service as he is a local resident. Roll call vote: 1-4-0, motion failed. L. Fitz-motion to hire Irons Tree Service, B. Myers-seconded, Roll call vote: 5-0-0, motion carried.
- Review of Trash Collection RFP. L. Fitz-motion to postpone action till October meeting, B. Myers-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Fire Station millage reviewed L-4029, no action required

#### New Business:

- Reviewed 2021 L-4029 millages. Fire operating, Fire equipment and Road millages will need to go on the August 2022 ballot
- Elk Township Resolution to approve 2021 Tax Rate Request Form reviewed. L. Fitz-motion to approve resolution, K. Fickies-seconded. Roll call vote: Resolution Adopted 5-0-0
- Elk Township Resolution 2021-15 FOIA policy, procedure and fee schedule reviewed to update. L. Fitz-motion to approve as written, D. Bass-seconded. Roll call vote: Resolution adopted 5-0-0
- Policy Post Auditing the Payment of Certain Township Bills reviewed, J. Hankiewicz-motion to approve as written, B. Myers-seconded. Roll call vote: Resolution adopted 5-0-0
- Request to place advertisement in Bulletin Board News for 2 weeks for Part-time general handyman for township hall and cemetery. B. Myers-motion to approve placing ad in BBN for 2 weeks, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Elk Township Resolution Records Retention Schedule 2021-16 reviewed, L. Fitz-motion to approve as written, D. Bass-seconded. Roll call vote. Resolution adopted 5-0-0
- John Fairbanks request to be on Agenda, L. Fitz called for Mr. Fairbanks, the records show that Mr. Fairbanks is not in attendance at this meeting, and his request is hereby cancelled.

Public Comment: Joyce Durdel will be helping secure donations for Shanna Avery and family to help with the cost of repairs to their home due to damage from storms.

B. Myers-motion to adjourn; J. Hankiewicz-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0.

Adjourned @ 8:02p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk  
September 14, 2021