



Elk Township - Lake County, Michigan

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ELK TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING October 12, 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 (7)

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

Minute's approval: D. Bass-motion to approve September 14, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; J. Hankiewicz-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Board Member Reports:

L. Fitz, Supervisor

- Thank you to Jack Puff for installation of door latch guards at the Hall, Pavilion and Cemetery
- Lake County Road Commission Brine meeting October 26, 2021, 6pm at Road Commission
- Baker Tilley report annual filing done September 30, 2021, cost will be \$750
- Trees have been removed at the cemetery

K. Fickies, Clerk

- Non Periodicals - None
- Request to approve bills paid in September, 2021. Lou Fitz-motion to approve as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Budget Amendment \$1,100 from General Funds to 101-276-801 Cemetery Professional Services. L. Fitz-Motion to approve amendment, B. Myers-seconded. Roll call vote, motion carried 5-0-0
- Budget Amendment \$100 from BBLSD General Funds to 844-101-900 Publishing & Ad to cover cost of Sauble Twp for preparation of SAD. L. Fitz-motion of approve amendment, D. Bass-seconded. Roll call vote, motion carried 5-0-0
- Hall leases, Monday & Thursday Exercise classes; LMWCC, Irons Area Water Partnership October 25 9am-10am.
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter, Michigan Railroad Association newsletter
- Spectrum Communications will be doing the switch of service and upgrade after January 2022
- ARPA funds first payment has been received and put into savings account.

B. Myers, Treasurer

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

D. Bass, Trustee

- No report

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- No Report

Public Comments:

- Jack Puff, when we received the bill for \$750 from Baker Tilley for the report, please make sure that the JBA gets a copy of the bill and a copy of the check for reimbursement payment.

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner-Don Arquette (report on file)

- Sheriff-Sheriff- Sheriff Martin, Lake County Reapportionment Plan 2021; ORV roads and mapping; Can drive for charities, suggesting having can drop site at Elk Twp. Hall; Incident report for August reviewed (report on file)
- Fire Board- Gary Nugent, 23 runs for September (report on file).
- SEEJBA Board-Jack Puff- passed out construction schedule for Fire Station
- Road Commissioner – No report.
- Assessor-(Report on file) K. Fickies-motion to approve Assessors report, L. Fitz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Joyce Durdel reported on activities. (report on file)
- Big Bass Lake SAD-No report
- Harper Lake SAD- No report
- Road Committee- Jackie McKellar No report would like to meet with L. Fitz for update on road projects
- Cemetery Committee-J. Hankiewicz – Trees and stumps removed from Cemetery, Winterizing will be done, has been trying to contact Boy Scout troupe about flag removal. If unavailable, maybe handy man can do this
- Emergency Management-No report

Old Business:

- Review of Trash Collection RFP. D. Bass RFP needs to go back to Committee for review. D. Bass-motion to send proposal back to Committee,L. Fitz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Revised 2021 L-4029 millages. Equalization error on Operating Millage from .8321 to .8320, has been signed and returned to Equalization by deadline

New Business:

- Year to Date Actual reviewed, no issues
- American Rescue Plan Act, discussion on ideas of how to utilize funds. Hand out “How can Michigan Townships use the ARPA Funds”, quite limited uses at this time. Some ideas: funds for Essential Workers, First responders, fire fighters, election inspectors, Board Members, families and businesses. Will need to research Loss of Revenue category. L. Fitz-motion to authorize clerk to work with Accountant to prepare Loss of Revenue D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Lake County Designated Assessor Resume and agreement reviewed. K. Fickies-motion to authorize Supervisor to sign agreement, B. Myers-seconded, Roll Call Vote, motion carried 5-0-0
- Response to Ad in BBN for Part-time Handyman, 1 response from Mike Stamann. L. Fitz-motion to authorize L. Fitz and K. Fickies will interview and if suitable, will have him sign a contract through this fiscal year, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0

Public Comment: None

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

Adjourned @ 8:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk

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