

LILLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

• April 10, 2023

UNAPPROVED

The **Meeting of the Lilley Township Board** was called to order by Supervisor Bouwens at 7:30 P.M.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited – invocation by Anderson.

The **Roll was called** with Board Members present: Bouwens, Anderson, Hoving, Nelson, Way

Motion by Hoving, seconded by Anderson to approve agenda. All in Favor: Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Supervisor Bouwens introduced Kyle Luce, Barton Township Supervisor he gave information on the proposed Battery Factory to be built in Mecosta County. Much discussion followed.

Public Comments: Fire Chief Debruyne about wedging 14 mile rd. Supervisor will check with County.

Motion by Anderson to approve March 13, 2023 minutes, seconded by Hoving. Way, All in Favor, Yes. With the addition of these items: Judy Hoving Planning Commission Member, about Short Term Rentals that the Planning Commission will Address at their next meeting. And Treasurer Ways Comments on the AARPA funds for the Fire Department be removed from the Clerk Items to the Treasurers items. Nelson asked that in the future that items to be changed in the minutes be in a timely manner so that they can be adjusted. .

Roll Call Anderson, yes Hoving, Yes, Bouwens, Yes, Nelson, Yes, Way, Yes.
Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report & Items: Checking account balance as of 03-31-2023 \$816,040.63. Way stated that the fire contracts for Merrill, Monroe, Beaver and Home have been received and paid. Treasurer Way also stated that the 2023 taxes all included a 5% increase, She suggests that to somewhat ease that burden on taxpayers that the Township waive the Administration Fee for the 2023 Summer and Winter Taxes to help our Taxpayers. Fremont Foundation matched a \$200.00 Donation for our Medical Responders that was donated by Walk Up Lake Association.

Motion by Way to eliminate the Admin. Fee on 2023 Summer and Winter Taxes, seconded by Anderson.
Roll Call: Bouwens, Yes; Anderson, Yes; Hoving, Yes; Nelson, Yes; Way, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Motion to approve bills listed: Questions by Anderson on a couple of the items on the check register, GLE, Anderson, They were recorded in the wrong month, due to when they were paid, and check to Fisher is for computer/webpage work. **Motion** by Anderson to approve listed bills, second by Hoving, Anderson, yes, Hoving, Yes, Bouwens, Yes, Nelson, Yes, Way, Yes **Motion Carried**

Clerk's Items: Clerk Nelson discussed future Elections, Per the New Election Laws passed on last years Proposal. Things will be quite different.

Trustee's Items: Judy Hoving received her new MTA Procedure manual, will be ordered for all board Members and Planning Commission. Thanked Treasurer Kathy Way for doing such a great job collecting Taxes as it is a lot of work. Jerry Anderson commented on a couple of road concerns, an abandoned trailer on a piece of property that he hopes gets taken care of. Also brought up retirement benefits for full time employees.

Supervisor's Items: Supervisor Bouwens.. Board of Review went well. Stated that he and Clerk Nelson will be working on the 2023/24 Budget, DNR Grant paperwork is ready and waiting on a submittal Date. Also waiting for all of the quotes for the Community Building to get going on that project. Also the NCRC will be starting to work on roads in our township. All workout equipment has been donated and some Eq is getting worn out, Supervisor Bouwens asked to be able to purchase a new treadmill not to exceed \$1000.00.
Motion by Hoving second by Nelson to approve new treadmill, not to exceed \$1000.00

Roll Call: Nelson, Yes, Bouwens, Yes, Anderson, Yes, Way, Yes, Hoving, Yes.
Motion Carried

Fire Department and Medical 1st Responders Report: For the month of March the FD and MFR had a total combined call volume of 14 Calls. FD had 8 calls, One (1) in Lilley, one (1) in Troy, and two (2) in Merrill. One (1) Beaver, One (1) Monroe, Two (2) Home, MFR had 6 calls, Five (5) in Lilley and one (1) Troy. Chief Stated the Our Fire Department received a Brush Truck from the DNR, (needs a little work).

Planning Commission Report: Member Cindy Israels stated that at the next planning commission meeting that they will be working on the Chicken Ordinance and the VRBO /BRB regulations for our Township.. Also are planning on having a Townhall meeting to discuss the plans/intentions for the current VFW building, date to be announced at a later date.

Planning Commission Judy Hoving read a letter regarding the State and Short Term Rentals, The Proposed Bill fell short and is no longer under consideration, if you have any questions regarding letter please contact Judy Hoving, for details

Zoning Enforcement: Jeff Wroblewski reported Two (2) electrical permits, three (3) zoning permits and two (2) mechanical permits, one (1) Plumbing Permit. 17 incoming calls, 8 calls made and 6 mailings.

Motion to adjourn by Anderson, seconded by Hoving Meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.



Diane Fulton, Lilley Township Deputy Clerk