



Regular Board Meeting Minutes October 9, 2023 – 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Supv. Brian Moore followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance: Brian Moore, Kimberly Jones, Judy Wheelock, Keith Moore, Penny Nelson With no additions or corrections to the agenda by Board and/or audience, <u>motion by J. Wheelock; 2nd K.</u>

Moore to accept the agenda. Carried.

Motion by K. Moore; 2nd K. Jones to approve the September 11, 2023 minutes. Carried.

<u>Treasurer's report</u>. Explained last month's question regarding lack of tax revenues, treasurer explained that the township does not receive summer taxes, just administration fees. Deputy treasurer, Mary Wixson will attend next month's meeting to explain the accounts.

- "Sweep" bank accounts will be discussed at the November meeting. However, since the current CDs are maturing before that, motion by K. Moore; 2nd J. Wheelock to renew Honor Bank certificates of deposit # 40002543 and #40002535 at 4.75% for 5 months. Carried.
- o Motion by K. Moore; 2nd J. Wheelock to pay all bills using checks #9296 9314. Carried.

Fire department report. None.

<u>Campground Host</u>. Lisa Cypert said that the campground is quiet. There is a large group that rustic camps all over that will be coming this weekend. Asked that we order two sets of solar lights to install on the outhouses to test out before ordering for all. Also need 10 4x4 posts and five complete picnic tables. Clerk to order posts and lights.

Blight Enforcement Officer. Kenneth Millard reviewed the pending blight cases. He sent out two warning letters; heard from one of them. Asked for bids to clean up Kurick Rd and Springdale Rds. Springdale Road site bid was staggering. Motion by K. Moore; 2nd K. Jones to accept the Junk Titan's bid of \$4,550 to clean up the Kurick Rd site. Carried. To go back to court with the bid/show cause.

The Springdale Rd. site could receive a "show cause" as to why the site has not been cleaned up as agreed upon. K. Millard to work out an agreement with the Bradens.

- Old Grade Rd site (Clement) previously order was not overruled by the district court judge. She may ask for the circuit court to hear her appeal. No news yet about that.
- Seminar with attorney, Seth Koches regarding blight enforcement attended by B. Moore, K.
 Millard and P. Nelson was very productive.
- Wells Rd property owner questioned as to whether a vehicle, licensed or not, if not moved in sixty days is considered abandoned? Previous owner abandoned trailers in the back of their property and won't remove them. Suggested that they work with K. Millard to resolve the problem.

New business.

- Rebecca Parmer requested that the township again act as the fiduciary on their grant request for computer. Motion by J. Wheelock; 2nd P. Nelson for the Betsie Valley Library request that Springdale Township act as fiduciary to the library's \$4,046.75 grant request for new computers.
 Carried. Explained that both bands serve Springdale Township so grants could be submitted to both.
- Short term rentals: Rick Banker, resident of Roaring Brook explained the recent problems living around short term rental properties. Worse one is located at 15651 Holly Dr.; owner downstate.
 Calls the sheriff to enforce the noise ordinance.

Old business.

- Cemetery. Brian Moore for Andy Saarm, read the list of suggested changes in managing the cemetery. Pricing for the plots to be included in the 2024-25 budget. Still need that signage. Also, the American Legion changed the Memorial Day service from 11 am to 11:15 a.m. due to multiple conflicts.
- Spectrum internet is now available in the township hall. Acentek is coming in the spring and since there is no contract with Spectrum, we can compare the service and pricing of both.

<u>Library report</u>. Distributed to the board.

<u>Correspondence</u>. MTA Township Focus; Cherryland's Country Lines magazine, and PAR flyer.

<u>Public comments</u>. Jared Litwiller said that AWAR was passed.

Board comments. B. Moore: does Board of Review need to receive training this year. Yes, next year all can receive training.

Adjournment: 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Nelson

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Township Clerk