

Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, July 13, 2023

7:00 PM

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

The pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present

Board Members Present-Clerk Morgan, and Trustee Benkovsky, and Trustee Morgan were present. Supervisor Wilson and Treasurer Gray were absent.

Clerk Morgan made the motion to appoint Trustee Morgan to serve as chairperson for this meeting in the absence of the Supervisor. Motion was seconded by Trustee Benkovsky. Motion approved.

Motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Oak Ridge Park agreement under unfinished business by Benkovsky. B. Morgan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Motion to approve minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on June 8, 2023 by Benkovsky and seconded by B. Morgan. Motion passed.

Sherriff Report: There were 84 events for the month of June 2023.

Fire Department Report: There were 78 runs for the month of June, (44 MFR's, 10 Fire Standby, 2 Fire Alarms, 0 Heavy Rescue, 0 Burn Complaint, 7 Structure Fires, 0 Vehicle Fire, 0 Wires Down, 4 Brush Fire, 4 Personal Injury, 0 Carbon Monoxide Alarm, 0 Grass Fire, 2 Odor Investigations, 0 Special Rescue, 4 Fire Investigations, 1 Illegal Burn and 0 Miscellaneous. Herig advised the board that he is interviewing 2 new candidates for the department.

Brief Public Comment- (General Public, Commissioners, Etc.): Commissioner Rogers advised the board that the Ways & Means committee received requests from all departments for the new budget. R. Goodnoe expressed safety concern regarding area gravel pits would like to have a life jacket requirement. B. Becker made suggestions in regards to the maintenance of the building and grounds. Building needs washing, flower beds need to be weeded, and fence line weed and grass needs to be trimmed, eaves trough needs to be cleaned out.

New Business: Building Addition-Proposal from Dave Taylor-Motion by R. Morgan to table discussion until there is a full board present. Seconded by Benkovsky. Motion carried.

Eaton County Planning Commission Application DCA-B-23-2 review only of Text Amendment regarding additional wording for Wind Energy.

Unfinished Business:

Credit Card Reade- Wilson absent. Wilson will contact credit card reader company for installation. No information at this time.

Website review-R. Morgan gave update. Website still needs editing and additional information-Oak Ridge Park info., Agendas for 2022 to date, office hours for Supervisor. Ambulance-Frequently asked questions email was read by B. Morgan.

Oak Ridge Park Interlocal Agreement-Motion for the Clerk to send agreement to lawyer for review by B. Morgan and seconded by Benkovsky. Motion approved.

Board Reports:

Supervisor: *No Reports*

Treasurer: No Reports

Clerk: Clerk Morgan motioned to accept revenues of \$8,204.62 for the month of June 2023. Motion seconded by Benkovsky. Motion approved. R. Morgan motioned to accept expenditures of \$55,938.23 for the month of June. Motion was seconded by B. Morgan. Motion approved. Morgan motioned to approve/ratify the list of bills that were paid in June to avoid penalty and interest & bills that are current to be paid in July in the amount of \$51,758.41 and approval for expenditures for payroll and the sexton should there be a burial. Seconded by Benkovsky. Motion carried. Budget amendments/ratifications: None

R. Morgan requested the board to look over the options for the MTA annual dues. The board agreed to add the essentials package which includes, 19 **webinars** that cover the basic essentials—designed for all board members and required knowledge for all townships: Accounting & Payroll (4-series), Anatomy of a Township, Building a Better Budget - Basic (4-part series), Building a Better Budget - Advanced (4-part series), Effectively Exercising Board, Authority (2-part series), Elections Update (April 2023), Ethical Considerations, Exploring Township Revenue Sources, Fraud Prevention, Making the Most of Your Meetings, Meeting Misconceptions, Nuances of the Right to Farm Act, Providing a Safe Township Workplace, Secrets to Great Board Meetings, Spending Public Money, Special Assessment Procedures, Taxation Trouble Spots, What the Board Needs to Know about Planning & Zoning, Who Gets Paid What and How?

R. Morgan mentioned that the phones and the headsets are still not functioning properly. Benkovsky will contact the vender, Jackson Telcom, for advice.

R. Morgan received communication regarding the value of the township buildings, township hall and fire department building from our insurance agent. The township hall is at the correct value, but the fire department was undervalued. To increase the value to \$1,200,000.00 the annual premium amount would increase by \$700.00. Motion to increase the fire department building to the appropriate value and pay the premium increase by Benkovsky and seconded by B. Morgan. Motion carried.

Trustee Morgan: No Report

Trustee Benkovsky: Oak Ridge Park-The city continues to work on the accounting of maintenance performed by the city at the park. He advised that the recycling committee is moving forward and making progress with the project.

Brief Public Comment: T. Becker inquired about the status of old T.V. from AA. He will recycle at the county. The current T.V. in the Board Room was donated by the Beckers.

Correspondence:

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:22p.m.

Robin Morgan-Clerk

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