Montague Township Board Meeting MEETING NOTES Tuesday, January 9th, 2024



The January 9th, 2024 Montague Township Board Meeting held at Montague Township Hall was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Supervisor King.

Members present:

Clerk Roesler - DR

Treasurer Korthase - TK Supervisor King – JK Trustee Goodrich – JG Trustee Seaver – JS

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Trustee Seaver, seconded by Clerk Roelser to approve the January 9th, 2024 agenda. Passed

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Trustee Goodrich, seconded by Treasurer Korthase to approve the December 12th, 2023 meeting minutes. **Passed**

Visitors:

Kraig Genter- inquiring regarding purchasing the easement on Arva Court. The out lot is 66 foot wide between 2 houses. Wants to split with neighbor. Board discussed and agreed to look into it. Supervisor King to speak with Rachel Novak and look at taxes/value.

Julie Essenberg- spoke briefly regarding 9 days of early voting that will be available at the county building at the old Baker College Campus. Will be in need of poll workers.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Township Trees- Referral report presented from Rod Denning at Muskegon Conservation District. There were two different options to go with- Consulting Forester: they will help to administer a timber harvest by marking the trees needing to be cut and find the loggers to do the work or an Industry Forester: they work for businesses that buy standing timber and only take specific types of trees. After discussion the board decided to go with a consulting forester. Clerk and Deputy Clerk will reach out to the 3 that were listed on the referral.
- b. Fertilizer Quotes for Township Soccer Field- reached out to two local companies. One quote received- significantly higher than AAA Lawn Care.

Board agrees to contract with AAA. Motion made by Treasurer Korthase, seconded by Trustee Seaver. Roll Call- Passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ballot Box Camera- camera facing the ballot box needs to be installed by the end of January. Clerk Roesler will purchase and install. Trustee Seaver wanted to insure that the backups occur as they are scheduled to. He has had a problem with the backups at his business.
- B. MTA Conference- Treasurer Korthase presented information regarding the Michigan Township Association Conference. Board agreed to pay for full conference cost for those members interested in going. Will discuss regarding travel and lodging.
- C. F65 annual audit is complete.
- D. Community Meeting with Chemours- will take place Thursday January 25th. This meeting will be to give more information regarding the plan for the cleanup. Trustee Seaver to attend. Board approved signing a letter of support in favor of the new cleanup plan.
- E. Senior Millage- Currently have \$9,982.00 to spend. Board to start thinking ways to improve the township.

BOARD REPORTS

Fire board- Trustee Goodrich gave update on Montague Fire Operations.

Solid waste- none.

Ambulance- Supervisor King gave update on White Lake Ambulance Authority.

Planning commission- none.

INVOICES:

PAYABLES- \$3,138.67 Check Numbers 2690-2713

Moved by Treasurer Korthase, seconded by Trustee Goodrich, to approve paying Invoices including the late additions. **Passed**

TREASURER'S REPORTS

Moved by Clerk Roesler, seconded by Trustee Goodrich, to approve the Treasurer's report. Passed

COMMENTS:

None

Moved by Clerk Roesler, seconded by Treasurer Korthase to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 08:09