

APPROVED

EVELINE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
EVELINE TOWNSHIP HALL
8525 FERRY ROAD
EAST JORDAN, MI 49727
TUESDAY JANUARY 10, 2023
7:00 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The monthly meeting of the Township Board of Trustees was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor John Vron dran with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDING: Board members present, Supervisor John Vron dran, Trustees Eric Beishlag and Janet Blossom, Clerk Sandi Whiteford and Treasurer Ron Chapman. Zoning Administrator Deb Graber was also present as well as Susan Vron dran, Will Trute, Meghan Meyer and Matthew Testa.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment received.

3. **AGENDA:** Mr. Chapman made a motion supported by Ms. Blossom to accept the agenda as presented. Motion Approved

4. **MINUTES:** Mr. Beishlag made a motion to approve the December 13, 2022 meeting minutes as written. Motion supported by Ms. Blossom. Motion Approved.

5. **PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Ms. Blossom made a motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$15,468.62. Checks numbered 1001 through 1019 as well as EFT payments to the IRS and State of Michigan. Motion supported by Mr. Beishlag.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

Aye: Mr. Beishlag, Mr. Vron dran, Mrs. Whiteford, Mr. Chapman, Ms. Blossom

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Approved.

6. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** As of December 31, 2022, the General Fund balance, including Huntington / Schwab Money Market of \$17,720.33, Huntington Treasury Account of \$1,010,859.12 and the General Fund Checking of \$776,515.37 is \$1,805,094.82. Road Fund \$487,892.33, Fire and Ambulance Fund \$186,627.97, Tax Account \$1,381,474.17 Accounts balance with Clerk, supported by the balance sheet. Mr. Chapman noted that included in the General Fund balance is the ARPA Fund Monies of \$77,031.30. These funds are restricted for use as dictated by the Rescue Fund regulations. Mr. Chapman noted that the Huntington checking will be closed as soon as the outstanding checks cleared. Treasury account will be moved to 4Front shortly.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE:** No correspondence received.
8. **SPLIT COMMITTEE REPORT:** One property line adjustment approved.
9. **ZONING REPORT:** 36 Short Term Rentals renewed for 2023, Attorney Wendling is assisting with contact of the unlicensed short-term rentals.
10. **ASSESSOR REPORT:** Board of Review classes will be held at the Charlevoix Library on January 23, 2023.
11. **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:** Mr. Beishlag reported that no January Planning Commission Meeting was held.
12. **EMS UPDATE:** Mr. Chapman updated the Board of Trustees regarding the financial status of the Eveline Substation. Meghan Meyer informed the board of the incident with the transport vehicle purchased for the substation by the Township. She will provide year end reports at the February meeting.
13. **PARKS MILLAGE RESOLUTIONS:** Mr. Chapman made a motion to adopt Resolution 0110 of 2023-A, an application for funding design of walking trails to the Parks Millage Fund for the Bracey Road Nature Area. Motion supported by Mr. Beishlag. Upon roll call vote the following voted:
Aye: Mr. Beishlag, Mr. Vrondran, Mrs. Whiteford, Mr. Chapman, Ms. Blossom
Nay: None
Absent: None
Supervisor Vrondran declared Resolution 0110 of 2023-A adopted.

Mr. Chapman made a motion to adopt Resolution 0110 of 2023-B, an application for funding design of walking trails to the Parks Millage Fund for the Sweetbrier Lane Natural Area. Motion supported by Mr. Beishlag. Upon roll call vote the following voted:
Aye: Mr. Beishlag, Mr. Vrondran, Mrs. Whiteford, Mr. Chapman, Ms. Blossom
Nay: None
Absent: None
Supervisor Vrondran declared Resolution 0110 of 2023-B adopted.
14. **2023 POVERTY EXEMPTION POLICY AND GUIDLINES:** Mr. Chapman made a motion to accept the 2023 Poverty Exemption Policy and Guidelines with the 20% increase for Township Level Income for 2023. Mr. Beishlag supported the motion. Upon roll call vote the following voted:
Aye: Mr. Beishlag, Mr. Vrondran, Mrs. Whiteford, Mr. Chapman, Ms. Blossom
Nay: None
Absent: None
Motion Approved.

- 15. BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS:** Mr. Beishlag made a motion to approve appointment to the Board of Review Patrick McGinn and Nelson McDonald to 2-year terms beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024. Motion supported by Ms. Blossom. Motion approved. Clerk noted that there are openings on the Board of Review for a member and an alternate.
- 16. STAR SCHOOL UPDATE:** Mr. Chapman reported he had not heard back from the East Jordan School District but would follow up.
- 17. ROAD NAME UPDATE:** Mr. Spiewak is not inclined to remove his sign. Mr. Chapman will speak with Attorney Graham regarding the issue.
- 18. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Susan Vrondran stated the road name would not change any addresses on Ferris Lewis Lane. Mr. Chapman stated that the addresses would not change but the county had changed the name on the maps. Meghan Meyer stated dispatch gives road names, previous road names and crossroads so the sign should not cause EMS and fire services difficulty.
- 19. BOARD COMMENTS:** Supervisor Vrondran stated he would like to appoint Will Trute as Deputy Supervisor to assist with the phone calls he receives and possible other issues. Following a short discussion, Mrs. Whiteford made a motion to appoint Herb (Will) Trute as Deputy Supervisor, moving current funds from Secretary to Supervisor to an account for Deputy Supervisor, with a pay rate of \$16.00 per hour and to perform duties as directed by the Board of Trustees and Supervisor. Motion supported by Mr. Chapman.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

Aye: Mr. Beishlag, Mr. Vrondran, Mrs. Whiteford, Mr. Chapman, Ms. Blossom

Nay: None

Absent: None

Motion Approved.

Short discussion was held regarding trying to meet with the Tribal Council regarding the EMS substation. Mrs. Whiteford stated that the milage reimbursement rate is .655 as of January 1, 2023 and the board packet included the updated audit.

- 20. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business before the board at 7:52 p.m. Mr. Chapman made a motion to adjourn supported by Mr. Beishlag. Motion approved.

Respectfully,

Sandi Whiteford, Clerk