

**APPROVED**

EVELINE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
EVELINE TOWNSHIP HALL  
8525 FERRY ROAD  
EAST JORDAN, MI 49727  
TUESDAY MAY 9, 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, Mark Kroll, Christopher “Kit” Tholen and Will Trute.

2. **BOARD COMMENTS:** Ms. Blossom presented information regarding the purpose of the Board of Trustees Meetings, Public Comment and Meeting Decorum. Copies are available at the board meetings or by contacting the Clerk as well as attached to the minutes.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Prosecuting Attorney Kit Tholen introduced himself and gave an overview of himself, his family and his experience. Mark Kroll, representative for his sister Rebecca, expressed concern regarding Short-Term rental licenses for three cabins on the property in Ironton. Following discussion, Mr. Chapman will look into the situation with the attorneys and respond to Mr. Kroll within two weeks.
4. **AGENDA:** Mr. Beishlag made a motion supported by Ms. Blossom to accept the agenda as presented. Motion Approved
5. **MINUTES:** Ms. Blossom made a motion to approve the April 11, 2023 meeting minutes as written. Motion Supported by Mr. Beishlag. Motion Approved.
6. **PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Ms. Blossom made a motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$87,559.48. Checks numbered 1112 through 1143 as well as EFT payment to the IRS. Motion supported by Mr. Beishlag.  
Upon roll call vote the following voted:  
Aye: Mr. Beishlag, Mr. Vron dran, Mrs. Whiteford, Ms. Blossom  
Nay: None  
Absent: Mr. Chapman  
Motion Approved.

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** As of April 30, 2023, the General Fund balance, including Schwab Money Market of \$4,679.19, 4Front CD of \$1,008,341.93 and the General Fund Checking of \$1,114,745.86 is \$2,127,766.98. Road Fund \$757,009.38, Fire and Ambulance Fund \$455,348.62, Tax Account \$34,077.33 Accounts balance with Clerk, supported by the balance sheet. He stated that the amount in the Tax Account is a result of Charlevoix County paying the Township for delinquent taxes. 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.
8. **JORDAN VALLEY EMS AUTHORITY:** Unable to attend.
9. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Chris Nye, the Township Web Site maintenance support sent a letter stating that the Township Website needs to be updated for more affective viewing. He has offered to do so. Funding will be budgeted in the 2023-2024 budget effective July 1, 2023 Supervisor Vrondran read a letter from State Representative Friskie. Mr. Chapman received a notice from Ferris Lewis Lane residents stating they have purchased the appropriate blue sign for the west entrance.
10. **PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:** Planning Commission will meet May 10, 2023. A Public Hearing for the Charlevoix County Whiting Park Project will be held. The Planning Commission, with the assistance of Beckett & Raeder Planners, has during previous meetings discussed with the County Representatives options and concerns. He thanked the board for approving use of the planning company for assistance with projects. Herbert "Will" Trute's term on the Planning Commission expires in May. Mr. Beishlag Made a motion to appoint Herbert "Will" Trute to a three-year term on the Planning Commission expiring May of 2026. Motion supported by Mr. Chapman.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

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

Nay: None

Absent: None

Appointment Approved.

11. **SPLIT COMMITTEE REPORT:** No Split Committee requested or held.

12. **ASSESSOR REPORT:**

- This week the new assessing audit interview is taking place in Petoskey. I have provided all the required information and reports through an online portal provided by Treasury.

- All required reports and uploads have taken place after balancing with the County post March Board of Review. I have rolled over the assessment roll to 2024 and we are already working on 2024 assessments and data processing.
- Weather permitting, we will be starting property inspections this month.
- The market is still in high demand in Eveline. We have not seen prices come down on real estate sales. There is a lack of inventory and the quantity of sales has slowed. So far, we are not seeing trends in real estate pricing on the decline in our area.

**13. ZONING REPORT:** Nine permits were issued. One more original Short-Term Rental license to be renewed, in 2024 all licenses will be one-year, renewable beginning in October of each year. Webinar for Planning and Zoning will be held at the Township Hall May 18, 2023 from 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm.

**14. STAR SCHOOL UPDATE:** Mr. Chapman will report at the June meeting.

**15. DRY HYDRANT:** Following review of the information and questions arising, Ms. Blossom will contact Aaron Nordman of Performance Engineering Inc. with the questions and possibly attending the June Board of Trustees Meeting.

**16. BUDGET:** Mrs. Whiteford reminded the Board Members that the budget workshop will be held at 6:00 pm on Tuesday May 23, 2023.

**17. BOARD COMMENTS:** Ms. Blossom reported that MDOT has not yet placed the Emergency Vehicle signs. No anticipated date has been specified. Mr. Beishlag and Mr. Chapman will attend to Cleanup Day west side. Ms. Blossom Mrs. Whiteford and Mr. Vrondran will attend to Cleanup Day east side. **Cleanup Day is Saturday June 17, 2023 from 8:00 am to 12 pm.** Mr. Beishlag commended the Charlevoix County Road Commission on their work and assistance with the safety concerns on Ferry Road. He stated they went out of their way to assist.

**18. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business before the board at 8:25 p.m. Mr. Beishlag made a motion to adjourn supported by Mr. Chapman. Motion approved.

Respectfully,

Sandi Whiteford, Clerk