APPROVED

EVELINE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
EVELINE TOWNSHIP HALL
8525 FERRY ROAD
EAST JORDAN, MI 49727
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2023
7:00 P.M.

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> The monthly meeting of the Township Board of Trustees was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Vrondran with the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>ATTENDING:</u> Board members present, Trustees Eric Beishlag and Janet Blossom, Clerk Sandi Whiteford, Treasurer Ron Chapman and Supervisor John Vrondran. Others attending were Meghan Meyer, Amanda Falkenberg, Jim Slade, Mary Ann Slade, Kelly McGinn, Susan Vrondran, Will Trute and Daniel L.

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT: Meghan Meyer introduced Amanda Falkenberg who has been appointed as the coordinator for the Ironton Sub Station. She also reported on the Jordan Valley EMS Authority activity to date. Daniel L. inquired about the progress on the buoy for the point north of the Ironton Ferry. Jim Slade asked if the area is too wide for a no wake buoy. He also asked if the Sweetbrier property is to treated as a natural area and stated that maybe some dead trees could be removed. He also stated that the road end has many visitors for picnics, sunbathing and swimming.
- **3.** AGENDA: Mr. Beishlag made a motion supported by Ms. Blossom to accept the agenda as presented. Motion Approved
- **4.** MINUTES: Mr. Chapman made a motion to approve the August 8, 2023 meeting minutes as written. Motion Supported by Mr. Beishlag. Motion Approved.
- **5. PAYMENT OF BILLS:** Ms. Blossom made a motion to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$185,469.17. Checks numbered 1250 through 1285 as well as EFT payment to the IRS. Motion supported by Mr. Beishlag.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

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

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As of August 31, 2023, the General Fund balance, including Schwab Money Market of \$4,686.23, 4Front and Horizon CDs of \$2,030,138.84 and the General Fund Checking of \$301,051.38 is \$2,335,876.45. Road Fund \$664,040.95, Fire and Ambulance Fund \$132,856.38, Tax Account \$1,180,362.05. 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.

- 7. <u>CORRESPONDENCE:</u> Reviewed the request from Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce for a brief update for their state of the community publication. Mr. Beishlag made a motion to have the clerk send the information entitled Eveline Township for consideration for inclusion. Motion supported by Ms. Blossom. Motion approved.
- **8.** PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Mr. Beishlag reported the Planning Commission continued discussion regarding short-term rental ordinance. Bob Gibbs, representing the proposed Tommy's Marina Development introduced himself and will provide information at the October 4, 2023 Planning Commission meeting.
- **9.** ORDINANCE 4.18 AND 4.19: Mr. Beishlag presented the ordinances and asked that the Board of Trustees review and provide thoughts as to any changes they would suggest.
- 10. TOMMY'S MARINA PROJECT: Mr. Beishlag stated that they introduced themselves, stated that they would like to let the community know about their ideas and have residents express their thoughts. He expressed concern regarding communications with the developers and the Zoning Administrator. The Zoning Administrator stated that she has no applications or site plans therefore it should not reach the Planning Commission agenda until she reviewed. She asked if the Board wanted her to resign. Mr. Beishlag expressed additional procedural and authority concerns with the Zoning Administrator statements and actions regarding what is being called a "Townhall Meeting". Zoning Administrator Graber stated that she is resigning the position and retuned the Township Laptop and telephone to the clerk and left the meeting.
- **11. SPLIT COMMITTEE REPORT:** No split meeting requested or held.
- **12. ASSESSOR REPORT**: No update received.
- **13. ZONING REPORT:** Seven zoning permits were issued.
- **14.** <u>8530 FERRY ROAD UPDATE</u>: Mr. Trute presented bids he received for the project. Mr. Beishlag made a motion to enable Mr. Trute to contract with one of the bidders to begin the project. Motion supported by Mr. Vrondran

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

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

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Approved.

Ms. Blossom will contact Holly Landscaping to see if they can mow some of the grass at the front of the property.

- **15. <u>DRY HYDRANT UPDATE</u>**: Mrs. Whiteford reported that according to Matt Testa the project of repairing the Bracey Road and Ridge Road dry hydrants is well underway and hope to be completed in the next two to three weeks depending on the weather.
- **16.** <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Amanda Falkenberg thanked the board for the emergency vehicle caution signs. Mr. Slade asked about the Tommy's Marina. Mr. Beishlag responded that they were looking for ideas from the public and trying to work with everyone is the best method.
- 17. <u>BOARD COMMENTS</u>: Ms. Blossom presented a meetings policy for review and discussion at the next meeting. Mrs. Whiteford gave an update on elections. Star School signed deed has been delivered to East Jordan Public Schools. Special thank you to R.B. Lyons Marine Construction for donating their time to fix the buoy lights and to put the buoys in and removing them. Also requested authorization to have the Township Hall cleaned. Mr. Beishalg made a motion to have the Clerk contact and hire a soft wash company to clean the Township Hall. Motion supported by Ms. Blossom.

Upon roll call vote the following voted:

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

Nay: None Absent: None Motion Approved.

18. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> There being no further business before the board at 8:29 p.m. Mr. Vrondran declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,

Sandi Whiteford, Clerk