

THE ODESSA TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING WAS HELD ON 9-11-2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Secor. Present: Rohrbacher, Williams, Barrone and Caudill. Absent: none.

Visitors – Beth Barrone, Wayne Baldock, Fire Chief Chad Perkins and Kaylah Fyan.

Motion by Secor support by Caudill to approve the amended agenda. Ayes all. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Motion by Secor, support by Caudill to approve the August 7, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes as submitted. Ayes all. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Public Comment – no comment.

Budget Review – the Board reviewed the 2023-2024 Budget.

Motion by Secor, support by Williams to increase the Reimbursement line item by \$56,653.93, the Interest line item by \$500.00, the Township Telephone line item by \$222.24, the Township Capital Outlay line item by \$39,220.94 and the Cemetery Capital Outlay line item by \$17,710.75. Ayes all. Nays – none. Motion carried.

AUGUST BILLS

Gary Secor	\$967.30	Brad Barrone - Projector	\$105.99
Lisa Williams	\$1,332.28	Canon - Copier Maintenance	\$121.30
		Consumer Energy - Cemetery	
Sharon Rohrbacher	\$1,431.35	Gas/Electric	\$92.40
Brad Barrone	\$115.43	Consumer Energy - Twp Gas/Electric	\$290.04
Patti Caudill	\$115.43	Elan Financial - Clerk/Election Supplies	\$96.31
Nicole Klahn	\$36.94	Ionia Co Economic All - Annual Commit	\$665.00
Nicole Klahn	\$92.35	Jeff & Lisa Elenbaas - Burials	\$825.00
Connie Jordan - Dep Treasurer	\$66.22	Klein Assessing - Assessor Payment	\$3,072.23
Connie Jordan - Cemetery	\$185.43	S&T Restoration - Cemetery Property	\$5,714.28
Lynn Sandborn - Bd of Review	\$44.14	Summit - Extinguisher Inspection	\$224.50
Roseann Sinke - Election Wage	\$105.00	Telrite - Twp Phone Bill	\$11.78
Dawn Deardorff - Election Wage	\$110.38		\$11,218.83
Jerry Tomandl - Election Wage	\$105.00		
Mike Rodriguez - Election Wage	\$105.00		
Patrick Sinke - Election Wage	\$120.00		
Robbie Mutschler - Election Wage	\$240.00		
Savannah Hamstra - Election Wage	\$245.00		
Terri Catt - Election Wage	\$105.00		
Thelma Curtis - Election Wage	\$105.00		
Nancy Miller - Election Wage	\$133.00		
Bill Phillips - Election Wage	\$105.00		
FICA & Fed W/H	\$1,339.36		
	\$7,204.61		

September 11, 2023 Bills

Clorwell - Lights	\$250.00	PE Office - Phone Charges	\$170.12
Fahey Schultz - Legal Services	\$6,341.57	PE Office - Modem	\$90.00
Granger - Cemetery Dumpster	\$43.20	Plerus - Election Av Envelopes	\$185.25
Granger - Twp Trash Pickup	\$31.59	S&T Restoration - Balance Due for Roofs	\$56,931.69
Lakewood News - Minutes	\$103.20	Sharon Rohrbacher - Cem/Treasurer Supp	\$187.86
Lisa Williams - Election Mileage	\$23.75	USPS - Treasurer PO Box Renewal	\$142.00
Marcia Vroman - Rental Deposit	\$100.00	Vern's Repair - Trimmer Repairs, Oil	\$332.86
ODP Business - Clerk's Toner	\$170.99	Village True Value - Cemetery Supplies	\$15.94
	\$7,064.30		\$58,055.72

Fire Department Bills

August Bills

Consumer Energy	\$324.82	MTA - Training	\$375.00
CSI Emergency - Truck Repairs	\$3,049.66	Odessa Twp - Reimbursement	\$14,108.81
Elan Financial - Training, Fuel, Phone	\$144.98	Odessa Twp - Reimbursement	\$1,848.00
Grieser - Air Compressor Repair	\$385.00	Wex Bank - Fuel	\$107.78
	\$3,904.46		\$16,439.59

September Bills

Chrouch Comm - Radio Programming	\$205.00	Telrite - Phone	\$1.05
T-Mobile - Mobile Internet	\$9.90		
	\$214.90		

Fire Department Payroll

July Payroll

Will Fyan	\$1,061.81	Craig Winslow	\$129.29
Ryan Cisler	\$534.63	Wade Piercefield	\$585.91
Royal Shilton	\$290.91	Chris Tobin	\$152.37
Nekoda Hull	\$495.37	Cody Perkins	\$22.07
Kristin Dubuque	\$349.66	Wyatt Perkins	\$874.17
John Thomas	\$58.28	Blake Perkins	\$534.65
Eric Possehn	\$450.90	Travis Scarborough	\$819.17
Brad Perkins	\$793.02	Gary Jackson	\$866.15
Brad Dubuque	\$786.75	Jacob DeBruyne	\$176.60
Erin Scarborough	\$493.72		
Kyle Root	\$396.18	Union Bank FICA & Fed W/H	\$2,741.94
Chad Perkins	\$1,410.93	State W/H	\$0.00
Chad Perkins	\$1,410.93		\$6,902.32
	\$8,533.09		

Motion by Secor, support by Williams that the township accepts items in the August audit and approves payment for the September 11, 2023 bills as submitted. Ayes all. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – the 101 accounts are running about \$214,616.53 behind of last year. The General Fund Savings/Checking is \$130,000.00 of that. See report for further information.

Cemetery Property Manager Report – not present. Rohrbacher stated that 2 trees came down in the storm; foundations and fence in the back of cemetery will be next. She would also like to hire Asa Potter to grind 2 stumps.

Fire Chief Report – 46 total runs, 25 in the village, 21 in the township, 0 mutual aid, 33 medical calls, 13 other fire, 0 motor vehicle accident. Total runs as of 8/31/2023 are 319. August Events – Art in the Park event, Back to School event at the fairgrounds, emergency management meeting with Barry County and tabletop training with the Lake Odessa PD on radio coms on large scale events. September Training and events – Advanced extrication, hunter down, Fire chief meeting, Hazmat training with Cargill, MTA training and RTF rescue task force training for act of violence. The fire department has 5 going for Hazmat Tech training, 6 going for hazmat tech refresher and 3 going to the MTA Training. Waiting on funds from Ionia County which will be used to purchase a slide topper for the pickup truck. Caudill thanked the firefighters for all their hard work during the storm.

Board/Committee Reports

- a. Jordan Lake Improvement Board.
- b. Lakewood Wastewater Authority.
- c. Library Board.
- d. Lakewood Recreational Authority.

Action Items

- a. AT&T Right of Way Permit Extension - Motion by Rohrbacher, support by Secor to approve to extend the existing METRO Act Permit. Roll call vote: Secor – yes, Caudill – yes, Barrone – yes, Williams – yes and Rohrbacher – yes. Nays – none. Motion carried.
- b. Revise Personnel Manual – the Board discussed revision.

Motion by Rohrbacher, support by Secor to revise in the appendix section of the Personnel Manual the Fire Fighter job description to read "Some knowledge of the streets, roads and physical layout of Odessa Township. Ayes – all. Nays – none. Motion carried.

- c. Cemetery Stone Restoration/Replacement – Motion to authorize Rohrbacher to use up to \$2,000.00 from Cemetery Improvement Fund to restore and /or replace headstones in the oldest sections of Lakeside Cemetery. Ayes all. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Information/Discussion Items

- a. Ionia County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority – the Board discussed information presented.
- b. Solar Ordinance/Public Hearing Dates – the attorney estimated \$1,500.00 to \$2,000.00 for the Solar Ordinance. He also advised that it would be in our best interest to hear what the public has to say. The Ordinance should be ready by our next meeting October 2 and the Board decided to have a Public Hearing on October 16th or 18th depending on attorney availability.

- c. MTA Renewal – the Board decided that they would like to renew online classes.

Motion by Caudill, support by Secor to renew the subscription for MTA online learning package. Ayes all. Nays – none. Motion carried.

- d. Fire Ordinance – the Board decided to hold a Public Hearing at our October 2 meeting.

Supervisor Report

- a. Website Redesign – should be ready the first week of October.

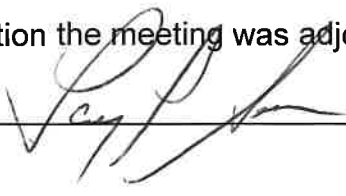
Secor stated further information – a 30 day notice is going out to Franklin Metals and a 2nd notice is being sent to the Fire Truck Business on Tupper Lake Road. Rohrbacher stated that many people commented on that business during tax collection.

Public Comment – no comment.

Board comments – Rohrbacher has been in discussion with a project manager for the Odessa Township/Ionia County Wind Project. He was asking me about commitments that Leeward Energy Made to the Township for reimbursement for the cost to draft the Wind Ordinance. Former Supervisor Bulling was working closely with Leeward and they had a verbal commitment that, to-date, has not been fulfilled. I was asked to come up with some numbers so he can see what he can do to keep that commitment. Caudill thanked Clerk Williams for the work on the August 8th election.

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 7:40P.M.

APPROVED



Submitted

