

BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING May 25, 2023

Called to order at 9:30 a.m.

Present: Supervisor Laveta Hardish, Treasurer Mark Christoff, Clerk Nicole Hardish, and Trustees Michael VanHouten and Jon Bolton.

A motion to approve meeting agenda was made by Trustee VanHouten and supported by Treasurer Christoff. Motion carried unanimously.

Guests: None

Citizens: 1

Consent Agenda:

A motion to approve as written, including the approval of the April 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, May financial report, post-approve payments of the April bills in the amount of \$50,464.30, and place all departmental reports on file was made by Clerk Hardish and supported by Trustee VanHouten. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Business:

A motion to approve the new Planning & Zoning fee schedule made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Trustee VanHouten. The costs will take effect immediately after approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Hardish handed out an e-mail update from the Township Attorney regarding the Edgebrook Pump Station improvement cost sharing and the operators of Glenmoor Village's reactions.

New Business:

A motion to approve a contract with Upston Asphalt Maintenance for crack-sealing, sealcoating, & restriping the Township's parking lot made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Trustee VanHouten. A second bit came in from Asphalt Solutions are about \$900 less but the Board felt that their work the last time was not up to our expectations. Trustee Bolton suggested asking Upston to match their bid. Supervisor Hardish will move forward with scheduling the work. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to post-approve payment of the April Streetlight invoice from Consumers Energy in the amount of \$1,053.98 made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Trustee VanHouten. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to post-approve payment of the March Streetlight invoice from Consumers Energy in the amount of \$1,073.15 made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Clerk Hardish. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to approve the L-4029 2023 Tax Rate Request made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Treasurer Christoff. By allowing the Township Clerk & Supervisor to sign and return this request form, the Board is allocating an operating rate of 0.7484 and an extra voted operating rate for Public Works of 1.488 mils to be levied for the 2023 tax season. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to adopt the Opt-Out of Countywide Public Transit Authority Resolution 2023-05-01 was made by Trustee VanHouten and supported by Trustee Bolton. The Calhoun County Board of Commissioners announced to local Officials on May 9th that they had removed the creation of the transit authority from their agenda. Leroy Township speculates it's because there was very little support coming from the local jurisdictions. The Township Board thought it would be good practice to adopt the Opt-Out resolution should the subject arise again in the future. Motion carried by unanimously roll call.

A motion to appoint Kara Dougherty to serve as Leroy Township Deputy Assessor under the supervision of Township Assessor, Joyce Foondle, made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Trustee VanHouten. Joyce has been training Kara for the past year and by appointing her as Deputy it will allow Kara to sign the tax roll after the March Board of Review which will fall after Joyce's retirement date. Kara's appointment will take effect immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to appoint Rob Lyerla to serve as an Alternate Member to the Board of Review made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Clerk Hardish. Rob term dates will be March 25, 2023-December 31, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to approve the additions to the Township's Michigan Municipal Insurance Coverage Proposal for the period of July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2024 through the Ted Hartleb Agency for EMC Insurance Company made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Trustee VanHouten. The approval of this motion also allows the Clerk to prepare a warrant of payment for the current premium in the amount of \$20, 003.00. Once these newly passed rates are calculated into our account an updated invoice can be expected in early July 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments:

Complaints about yard conditions after fiber internet lines have been run.

Board Comments: None

Next Board meeting is set for June 29 at 9:30 a.m. Meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully, Clerk Nicole Hardish