

BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING August 17, 2023

Called to order at 9:33 a.m.

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

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

Guests: 0

Citizens: 1

Consent Agenda:

A motion to approve as written, including the approval of the July 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, August financial report, post-approve payments of the July bills in the amount of \$80,493.40, and place all departmental reports on file was made by Clerk Hardish and supported by Trustee VanHouten. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Business:

No activity to report.

New Business:

A motion to approve the recommendation from Fire Chief to hire Brandon Broker as an on-call fire fighter made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Clerk Hardish. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to approve the extension of the Metro Act Permit issued to AT&T which will expire December 31, 2028 made by Trustee VanHouten and supported by Clerk Hardish. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to post-approve payment for the annual 2023 auditing services invoice in the amount of \$7,200 from Siegfried Crandall made by Trustee Bolton and supported by Trustee VanHouten. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign an agreement with law office Kreis, Enderle, Hudgins & Borsos, P.C. made by Trustee VanHouten and supported by Trustee Bolton. With the signing of this

agreement Leroy Township is asking this law firm to represent us and be our legal counsel. The Township's lead attorney will be Jason ter Avest. Motion carried unanimously.

The street lighting special assessment district public hearing has been scheduled for September 21, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in conjunction with the regular Board of Trustee's meeting. A notice will be posted in the Battle Creek Shopper newspaper.

Citizen Comments: None

Board Comments:

Clerk – deadlines have passed so we officially will not be having a 2023 November Election. The Township Clerk's office will be having meetings in the months to come with the County Clerk's office to work out logistics for coordinating early voting centers and permanent ballots lists. No agreement has been written yet (those details will be worked out in the meetings to come). It is still unknown whether we will be having the Presidential Primary in Feb. or in March. Lastly, the Clerk's office has been in communication with BS&A Software regarding the creation and merger of the new Uniform Chart of Accounts mandated by the State. We are currently on the second draft and waiting for their reply.

Supervisor – The tour of Calhoun County Dispatch has been scheduled for Sept. 26th at 10 AM. The siding and window replacement for the Office is scheduled to begin Aug. 24th. The Supervisor will be placing a help wanted ad for the recently vacated Deputy Treasurer position in the next week. The Park & Rec. survey received 114 responses. The next step here is for the Township Board to hold a public hearing to discuss the new master plan and then vote. The Board would like to hold the hearing in conjunction with its regularly scheduled meeting on either Nov. 16th or Dec. 19th at 6 PM. A decision will be made at next month's board meeting.

Next Board meeting is set for September 21st at 9:30 a.m. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully, Clerk Nicole Hardish