**Approved Minutes**

**MORTON TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING**

**Tuesday, March 14, 2023, 9:00 am Morton Township Hall, 290 West Main Street, MI 49332**

**Call to Order/Pledge by Supervisor Mark Klumpp @ 9:00 am**

**Roll Call: Mark Klumpp, Maureen Wolfe, Jeff Ratledge, Yo Bellingar and Stephanie McNeal were all present.**

**Five public citizens were present.**

**Public Comments:**

Al Rosen handed out packets to the board of trustees concerning a fence that was installed in Blue Spring Subdivision that should not have been installed.

**Consent Agenda:**

Approve Agenda Tuesday, March 14, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

Approve minutes of Regular MeetingonTuesday, February 14, 2022 @ 7:00 pm

Approve minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 @ 9:00 am

Approve Fund Disbursement: Bills paid on February 16, 2023 for the sum of sixty hundred seventy-seven thousand, seven hundred fifty-eight dollars and fifty-three cents ($677,758.53); payroll checks dated February 27,2023 for the sum of thirty-six thousand, nine hundred twenty-five dollars and sixty-three cents ($36,925.63); and checks dated February 27, 2023, for the sum of seven thousand, five hundred dollars and zero cents ($7500.00); checks dated February 28, 2023 for the sum of forty-three thousand, three hundred forty dollars and fifty-nine cents ($48,340.59); an ACH payment on March 1, 2023 for one hundred seventeen thousand, eight hundred seventy-two dollars and sixty cents ($117,872.60) and a check dated March 2, 2023 for six thousand, five hundred dollars and zero cents ($6500.00) for a grand total of eight hundred ninety-four thousand, eight hundred ninety-seven dollars and thirty-five cents ($894,897.35).

Treasurer’s Report

**Motion to approve Consent Agenda by M. Wolfe, seconded by Y. Bellingar. Roll call vote: Wolfe, yes; Bellingar, yes; Klumpp, yes; Ratledge, yes; McNeal, yes. Motion Carried**

**Reports:**

1. Fire/Rescue – Chief Allen Sutherby:
2. **Motion to approve entering into contract with CSI for chassis replacement of tenders by M. Klumpp, seconded by J. Ratledge. Roll call vote: Klumpp, yes; Ratledge, yes; Bellingar, yes; McNeal, yes; Wolfe, yes. Motion Carried**

Discussion included cost of new truck vs. re-chassis, timing of ordering chassis replacement vs. ordering new, and specifications of refurbish of chassis.

1. Fire Administration Committee – Chairperson J. Lanz: No report.
2. Planning Commission – J. Ratledge: No meeting for February. Meeting March 14, 2023 @ 5:30. Agenda items include solar panels and master plan discussion.
3. Recreation Committee – J. Lisuzzo: No report.

**New Business:**

1. **Motion to approve R-230314 Budget Adjustments by M. Wolfe, second by S. McNeal. Roll call vote: Wolfe, yes; McNeal, yes; Klumpp, yes; Bellingar, yes, Ratledge, yes. Motion Carried**
2. **Motion to approve township hall entry remodel for $3223.80 by S. McNeal, seconded by M. Klumpp. Roll call vote: McNeal, yes; Klumpp, yes; Ratledge, yes; Bellingar, yes; Wolfe, yes. Motion Carried**
3. **Motion to approve 2023 road projects: Pulverize and pave 80th Avenue from 6 Mile to 9 Mile and pulverize and pave Forest Pines Subdivision for the sum of $174,609.92 by S. McNeal, second by Y. Bellingar.**

Discussion included adding another project for this year, projecting out for 2024 projects and status of roads in Morton Township.

**Roll call vote: McNeal, yes; Bellingar, yes; Ratledge, yes; Klumpp, yes; Wolfe, yes. Motion Carried**

1. **Motion to approve Agreement for Collection of Summer School Property Taxes with Chippewa Hills School District by M. Wolfe, seconded by J. Ratledge. Roll call vote: Wolfe, yes; Ratledge, yes; Bellingar, yes; McNeal, yes; Klumpp, yes. Motion Carried**

**Public Comments:**

Al Rosen suggested we put speakers in the back of the room.

Ken Swathwood thanked the board for taking care of the property at 8120 Carriage Lane and also being proactive with dangerous building on Kilkenny.

**Announcements:** None.

**Correspondence:**

* Notice of Non-compliance of Order from Township Hearing Officer, John Stadtfeld, for 6349 Kilkenny Drive, Stanwood, MI, 49346.
* Letters from Dave Speaker thanking the board for their contribution to the Reuther Music Series and asking if there were any changes to logo for advertising.
* Contract for the township’s Annual Clean Up Day
* Mailing notice for Annual Clean Up Day with name change to “Annual Dump Your Junk Day.”
* Price increase from Four Seasons Exterminating $5.
* Mecosta County Development Corporation meeting agenda and other information.
* Staff Evaluation Forms

**Adjournment: 10:24 am**