

OAKFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 14, 2023

2023-5

CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Oakfield Township Board of Trustees held March 14, 2023 at 6:29p.m. with all board members present in Oakfield Township.

Present were: Greg Dean, Betsy Koett, Ken Rittersdorf, Pamela Riker, Chad Sowerby, Bryan Porter & Sue Trainer

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve regular meeting minutes for February 14, 2023 offered by Sowerby second by Koett approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve special board meeting minutes for March 7, 2023 offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 6-1 Riker abstained.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Motion to approve Treasury Report for February 2023 offered by Sowerby second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Treasurer gave an update on G & G who we use for credit card and e-check services. We collected via e-check and credit card \$138,358.96 in taxes and received \$460.74 from G & G. Interest charged was \$1,535.96 for people paying this way. People seem to like having this option. Done collecting taxes. Summer taxes left to pay was \$42,430.63, Winter taxes left to pay \$180,092.91. Treasurer has settle with the County already so we are just waiting for our reimbursement check.

Motion to approve the transfer of funds Capital Fund to the General Fund (Road work)- in the amount of \$39,359.52 offered by Sowerby second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve the transfer of funds Fire Millage to the General Fund (New equipment)- in the amount of \$1,545.24 offered by Riker second by Koett approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to amend budget Township Board New Equipment (101-101-977.000) in the amount of (+) \$3,545.24 offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to amend budget Cemetery Utilities (101-567-920.000) in the amount of (+) \$45.24 offered by Porter second by Rittersdorf approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to amend budget Cemetery Sexton (101-567-827.000) in the amount of (+) \$1,250 offered by Sowerby second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to amend budget Transfers Out Fire Millage (101-966-995.206) in the amount of (+) \$8,038.49 offered by Porter second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to amend budget Fire Department Misc. Expenses (101-336-961.000) in the amount of (+) \$3,515.32 offered by Sowerby second by Rittersdorf approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve General Fund Expenditures for the month of February 2023 in the amount of \$101,911.34 offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

Motion to approve Scram Lake expenditures for the month of February 2023 in the amount of \$2,694.79 offered by Porter second by Riker approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire Department:

- February calls.37 calls-19 medical, 1 P.I. Accidents, 1 P.D. Accidents, 1 C.O. Alarm, 13 Wire Calls, 1 Assist Spencer & 1 Assist Grattan.
- Monthly Training-CPR/AED Refresher-everyone recertified.

PCI Report: 2 building permit, 4 electrical, 3 mechanical & 2 plumbing. Total charges \$1,450.00, total due \$1,305.00, total evaluation of projects \$52,700.00.

Planning Commission:

- Last month's meeting-Implement Dealer site plan review- was approved.
- March 21, 2023 meeting-Site plan review for Ground Pounder-Maybe cancelled. They are working on a deal to buy Mootsie's if gets the deal will cancel meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals:

- No meeting

Zoning Administration:

- Couple of people still in court from tickets. Some more tickets will be written when the weather clears up. We budgeted \$10,000.00 for wages and Kurt has only charged \$2,050.00. Was a good idea to use his services.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- Paving Projects-Wabasis & Mac Clain -Done taking out stumps. Done working on road until June 30th due to the Blue Heron endangered species regulation.
- Budget Hearing has been posted in the newspaper.
- Budget Hearing meeting-March 30, 2023 @ 6:30 pm
- Budget Approval meeting-March 30, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

NEW BUSINESS:

- Assessor's contract

Motion to approve the assessor's contract offered by Koett second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Sexton's contract-other than prices going up nothing else changed.

Motion to approve sexton's contract offered by Porter second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Deputy Clerk's resignation-Her last day is Thursday, March 16, 2023. Position has been posted and we have 1 possibly 2 applications.
- Charter Cable-They are applying for a State grant to bring broadband into more areas in the Township and they requested that we send a letter to the Michigan Highspeed Internet Office. The letter has been sent.

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- Revenue Sharing-\$111,988.00 for the last 2 months.
- Great Lakes Energy Cooperative-Applied for a franchise ordinance-attorney has approved it.

Motion to adopt the Great Lakes Cooperative franchise ordinance offered by Dean second by Sowerby approved per a roll call vote 7-0.

- Scram Lake Sewer-Sand filter-One of the drain fields died. F&V will have to dig it out and put in new sand. Budgeted \$50,000.00 for project but don't have a cost yet so not sure if this is enough or too much. Might have to raise Scram Lake quarterly fees to cover cost.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

None

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Porter presented quote for a light in the White Swan Cemetery and we will discuss it at the April Board Meeting.
- Closing the books on Thursday, March 16, 2023. New budget will be done mid-week next week.
- Treasurer meeting with 3 banks on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 to make sure our accounts are all okay.
- Double D Equipment might be going out of business so we will have to find a new company to service our fire equipment.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm offered by Sowerby second by Riker approved per a voice vote 7-0.

Susan Trainer
Oakfield Township Clerk