



Elk Township - Lake County, Michigan

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ELK TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING January 11, 2022

Lou Fitz, Supervisor, called the meeting to order @ 7:04pm

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance, led by L. Fitz

Roll call, officials present: Lou Fitz, Supervisor; Karen Fickies, Clerk; Brandy Myers, Treasurer; Dave Bass, Trustee, Jack Hankiewicz, Trustee. Citizens in attendance (9)

Agenda Revisions: Under New Business 1) Road and Fire Operating & Fire Equipment Millage ballot language. 2) Year to Date Actual Budget review. B. Myers-motion to approve agenda as revised, D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Minute's approval: D. Bass-motion to approve December 14, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; L. Fitz- seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Board Member Reports:

L. Fitz, Supervisor

- ORV meeting Friday, January 14, 2022 1PM at Commissioners Room at Courthouse for concerns. L. Fitz will be attending to discuss more money for ORV enforcement

K. Fickies, Clerk

- Non-Periodicals – None
- Request to approve bills paid in December, 2021 L. Fitz-motion to approve as printed, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Budget Amendment to Bass Lake SAD \$75 from General Funds to 844-101-805, Permits to cover additional cost of Permit. L. Fitz-Motion to approve amendment, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Hall leases, Monday & Thursday Exercise classes; LMWCC
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter
- Introduce Sandy Mather as new Deputy Clerk and Thank you to Joyce Durdel for all her assistance as Deputy Clerk for the last 4 years.

B. Myers, Treasurer

- Treasurer's report for December, 2021. L. Fitz-motion to accept Treasurer's report as printed. D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0.
- A new account will be set up at the bank for the Fire Station Bond funds

D. Bass, Trustee

- No Report

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- No Report

Public Comments:

- Don Arquette, the new ORV Training Site in Baldwin received 2 grants and it will be progressing in Spring 2022

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner-Don Arquette (report on file). L. Fitz requested he ask at the next Commissioners meeting about the ARPA funds, how much was received and if there are plans on how to spend them at this time.
- Sheriff-Sheriff- (report on file)
- Fire Board- Gary Nugent, 27 runs for December (report on file).
- SEEJBA Board-Gary Nugent- Propane tank installed, things are coming along
- Road Commissioner – No report.
- Assessor- (Report on file) L. Fitz-motion to approve Assessor's report as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0

- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Joyce Durdel reported on activities. People living in campers with no facilities being referred to Health Department, working on ongoing complaints (report on file)
- Big Bass Lake SAD-Dave Bass – No report
- Harper Lake SAD-Dave Bass – No report
- Road Committee- Jackie McKellar- request more sanding on roads, L, Fitz explained that LCRC had received approx. \$50,000 for the county to blacktop intersection approaches on aprons to dirt roads. He requested that the committee get a list together of intersection that need this work done by the February meeting.
- Cemetery Committee-J. Hankiewicz – No report
- Emergency Management-No report

Old Business:

- ARPA funds, L. Fitz and K. Fickies attended MTA Webinar on the Final Rule on the use of funds. The new list was presented to the board for information. Money has to be allocated by December 31, 2024 and disbursed by December 31, 2026. Reporting will need to be done by April 30, 2022 and will need assistance from accountant. K. Fickies will make appointment with them in mid-February.

New Business:

- Board of Review in person training February 3, 2022 in Cadillac. Sending Cindy Comstock-Pudvey, Joyce Durdel, alternates Jackie McKellar and Joann Kucera. L. Fitz-motion to approve registration and 1 new BOR book not to exceed \$750 to cover cost of training and milage, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Resolution 2022-01 to Establish Annual Elk Township Monthly Meeting and Board of Review Schedule reviewed. K. Fickies-motion to adopt resolution as printed, L. Fitz-seconded, Roll call vote, Resolution adopted 5-0-0
- Resolution 2022-02 to Establish Elk Township Supervisor’s Salary by the Township Board to increase salary from \$13,000 to \$14,000 as of April 1, 2022 reviewed. D. Bass motion to adopt resolution as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, Roll call vote, Resolution adopted 4-0-1
- Resolution 2022-03 to Establish Elk Township Clerk’s Salary by the Township Board to increase salary from \$13,500 to \$15,000.00 as of April 1, 2022 reviewed. L. Fitz-motion to adopt resolution as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, Resolution adopted 4-0-1
- Resolution 2022-04 to Establish Elk Township Treasurer’s Salary by the Township Board that the salary shall remain at \$15,000.00 as of April 1, 2022 reviewed. L. Fitz-motion to adopt resolution as printed, K. Fickies-seconded, Resolution adopted 4-0-1
- Roger Stumbrie, Cemetery Sexton has verbally requested to resign once we have a new Sexton in place. He also the Sexton for the Irons Cemetery in Eden Township. L. Fitz contacted Eden Twp. Supervisor and it was agreed that if we were to run an ad in the Lake County Star and the Bulletin Board News, the cost of the ads would be paid by Elk Twp. and Eden Twp. would split the cost. L. Fitz-motion to authorize placing ads in both publication for 2 weeks for a Sexton for both cemeteries, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Year to Date Actual to Budget reviewed. No action required
- Fire Operating, Road, land Fire Equipment millage need to be placed on the August 2022 ballot. Reviewed L-4029 and language from past wording. D. Bass-motion to authorize L. Fitz and K. Fickies to prepare ballot wording to be reviewed by our Attorney, also that millage be for 5 years each, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0

Public Comment: Joyce Durdel concern about the millage renewals.

B. Myers-motion to adjourn; L. Fitz-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0.

Adjourned @ 8:29p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk

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