



Elk Township - Lake County, Michigan

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ELK TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING April 12, 2022

Lou Fitz, Supervisor, called the meeting to order @ 7:00pm

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance, led by L. Fitz

Roll call, officials present: Lou Fitz, Supervisor; Karen Fickies, Clerk; Brandy Myers, Treasurer, excused absence; Dave Bass, Trustee, Jack Hankiewicz, Trustee. Citizens in attendance (7)

Agenda Revisions: 1) Supervisor Report, Lake Co. Mitigation Plan, 2) Lakeview Cemetery request. D. Bass-motion to approve agenda as revised, J. Hankiewicz-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Minute's approval: L. Fitz-motion to approve March 8, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; K. Fickies- seconded; motion carried 5-0-0

Board Member Reports:

L. Fitz, Supervisor

- Notification from State Tax Commission has selected Elk Township for 2022 Audit Program AMAR.
- Lake County Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Plan. D. Bass-motion to participate, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0. L. Fitz-motion to appoint L. Fitz as point of contact, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0

K. Fickies, Clerk

- Non-Periodicals – None
- Request to approve bills paid in March, 2022, L. Fitz-motion to approve as printed, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- Hall leases, Monday & Thursday Exercise classes; LMWCC
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter
- Reminder, May 3, 2022 KND school Millage Proposal
- U. S. Census Bureau Survey, asking for information on Employment and Payroll discussed, not mandatory to participate. We choose not to participate.
- Election Security Grant discussed. L. Fitz-motion to postpone to the May meeting, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0. K. Fickies will prepare list to present to Board in May.

B. Myers, Treasurer

- Treasurer's report for March 2022. K. Fickies-motion to accept Treasurer's report as printed. D. Bass-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0.

D. Bass, Trustee

- No Report

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- No Report

Public Comments:

- Denise Suttle, executive director for Habitat for Humanity gave a presentation, 94 homes built in Lake Co. since 1984, Field of Dreams project resuming this year.

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner-Don Arquette (report on file).
- Sheriff-Sheriff- (report on file)
- Fire Board- Gary Nugent, (report on file) 14 calls

- SEEJBA Board-Jack Puff-extended completion date to July 15, 2022 due to availability of materials, interior work coming along. Phone and Internet thru ATT to be installed this month
- Road Commissioner – No report
- Assessor- (report on file)
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – No report – Notice of Violation letters being sent to properties in non-compliance
- Big Bass Lake SAD-Dave Bass – D. Bass will be attending the Lake and Stream Association at Crystal Mountain in May to address Wake Boat issues and invasive species problems
- Harper Lake SAD-Dave Bass – Same as Bass Lake SAD
- Road Committee- No report
- Cemetery Committee-J. Hankiewicz – Cemetery looking good
- Emergency Management-No report

Old Business:

- ARPA funds, reporting for funds being done by Baird, Cotter & Bishop, CPA. L. Fitz-motion to postpone discussion about allocation of fund postponed till all funds are received, B. Myers-seconded, motion carried 5-0-0
- SEEJBA Subcontract to Lease reviewed, B. Myers-motion to authorize L. Fitz, Supervisor and K. Fickies, Clerk to sign on behalf of Elk Township, D. Bass-seconded, Roll Call Vote. Motion carried 5-0-0. All townships and Fire Dept. have signed, originals were distributed for their files.
- Lakeview Cemetery Sexton position. With the pending resignation of Roger Stumbrie as Sexton, the position needs to be filled. The problem which needs to be discussed is that R. Sturbrie has all the equipment to dig a full burial site, which he provided. The township does not have equipment to do this, therefore, a couple of options were discussed. 1) purchasing a tractor or equipment and hiring a Sexton, 2) hiring a contractor to dig and fill grave site and hire a Sexton. A bid for contractor to dig/fill from Adams Northwoods Lumber and Supply has been obtained at a cost of \$290 per grave. K. Fickies-motion to hire Adams Northwoods Lumber & Supply at \$290/grave to dig and fill, B. Myers-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 5-0-0. K. Fickies-motion to hire Mike Stamann as Cemetery Sexton and pay for cost of MTA classes, B. Myers-seconded, roll call vote. Motion carried 5-0-0.

New Business:

- Osceola-Lake Conservation District Household Hazardous Waste contribution. L. Fitz-motion to contribute \$100, D. Bass-seconded, roll call vote, motion carried 5-0-0
- Resolution #2022-09 to Adopt Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test. L. Fitz-motion to adopt resolution, D. Bass-seconded, roll call vote. Resolution adopted 5-0-0
- Resolution #2022-01 as revised April 12, 2022 to change November meeting date from November 8th to November 10, 2022, and change the hour of the March 13, 2023 Board of Review to 12pm-6pm. B. Myers-motion to adopt resolution as revised, D. Bass-seconded, roll call vote. Resolution adopted 5-0-0.
- Estimate from Lake County Road Commission to top dress 1) Toma Trail from Bass Lake Rd. to River Rd. 2) 11 Mile Rd. from end of blacktop to intersection of River Rd. Koenig & Riverside Dr. at a total allocation of \$54,000. L. Fitz-motion to authorize L. Fitz to sign contract for this work to be done, J. Hankiewicz-seconded, roll call vote. Motion carried 5-0-0
- Request for Celebration of Life at Lakeview Cemetery June 20, 2022, no interment involved. J. Hankiewicz-motion to approve request as written, B. Myers-seconded. Discussion: Cemetery sexton will be on site to assist at a cost of \$15/hr. Motion approved 5-0-0.

Public Comment: None

B. Myers-motion to adjourn; J. Hankiewicz-seconded; motion carried 5-0-0.

Adjourned @ 8:38p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk

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