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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

July 11, 2023

Karen Fickies, Clerk, called the meeting to order @ 7:00pm

As per MTA guidelines, and with Supervisor L. Fitz absent/excused, K. Fickies, clerk, nominations for Chair of the July 11<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting. D. Bass nominated K. Fickies. D. Bass-motion to approve K. Fickies as Chair of the 7/11/23 meeting, B. Myers-seconded, motion carried 4-0-0.

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance, led by K. Fickies

Roll call, officials present: Karen Fickies, Clerk; Dave Bass, Trustee; Brandy Myers, Treasurer; Jack Hankiewicz, Trustee.

Excused/Absent Lou Fitz, Supervisor

Citizens in attendance (10)

Agenda Revisions:

- None D. Bass-motion to approve agenda as printed, K. Fickies-seconded, motion carried 4-0-0

Minute's approval:

- K. Fickies-motion to approve June 13, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes as printed; J. Hankiewicz; motion carried 4-0-0

Board Member Reports:

Supervisor

- K. Fickies reported for L. Fitz regarding Attempted B&E, will ask Sheriff Martin to give report. Insurance claim has been filed; Troy Johnson of Johnson Construction agreed to do repairs. Sheriff Martin will provide a written police report

K. Fickies, Clerk

- Non-Periodicals - None
- Request to approve all funds bills paid in June, 2023, J. Hankiewicz-motion to approve all Fund reports as printed, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 4-0-0
- Hall Leases, LMWCC, Board of Review 7/18/23 12-3pm
- Baldwin Community School special election Tuesday, August 8, 2023, Bond Issue
- Correspondence: Luther Library Newsletter.
- Public Accuracy Testing for election 7/26/23 1pm

B. Myers Treasurer

- Treasurer's report for June 2023. D. Bass-motion to accept Treasurer's report as printed, J. Hankiewicz-seconded; motion carried 4-0-0

D. Bass, Trustee

- None

J. Hankiewicz, Trustee

- None

Public Comments:

Phil Sanders commented on last month letter from L. Fitz to Cliff Bloom, and Cliff Bloom response letter

Dignitary Reports:

- County Commissioner- Don Arquette, (report on file). ORV Park looking good, projected completion date end of August 2023

- Sheriff- Sheriff Martin, (report on file). Reported on Attempted B&E, they may have a suspect, looks promising. Reported on Dial A Ride new program, now sending Bonding Report to townships, recycling programs in the future, drivers education through donations to Sheriff's Dept.
- Fire Board- Gary Nugent, 26 runs (report on file). Now doing training at new fire station, looking to put in cement pad for training
- Road Commissioner – No report
- Assessor- No report
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer – Jeff Mather, reported on 13 properties in violation. (Report on file)
- Big Bass Lake SAD-D. Bass reported on survey done by PLM last week
- Harper Lake SAD – D. Bass reported no information at this time
- Road Committee- No report. K. Fickies reported that the top dressing has been completed on Toma Trail
- Cemetery Committee-J. Hankiewicz monument in cemetery sinking, will get the name of family
- Emergency Management-No report

Old Business:

- ARPA Funds, Reviewed the Project List. New Marquee and sign for building completed, waiting on final bill.
- Bass Lakes Area Environmental Partnership request for Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming License. K. Fickies read Hold Harmless Clause pertaining to the BLAEP. Lisa Adams, President no present, husband Phil Sanders took Hold Harmless Clause home to have her sign, she signed form. B. Myers-motion to approve Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming License for BLAEP, K. Fickies-seconded, roll call vote, resolution approved 4 yeas-0 Nays-1 Absent.

New Business:

- Liability Policy Renewal from Burnham & Flowers, premium \$4,554.00. Additional Terrorism premium \$37 discussion, not necessary. B. Myers-motion to authorize L. Fitz to sign policy renewal and pay premium in the amount of \$4,554, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 4-0-0
- Letter to USDA-Forest Service, Scott Peedle, Ranger regarding signage at the North Country trail head that currently reads Freesoil, requesting name be changed to Elk. J. Hankiewicz-motion to authorize L. Fitz to send letter, D. Bass-seconded, motion carried 4-0-0

Public Comments: None

Adjournment:

- B. Myers-motion to adjourn at 7:57pm, K. Fickies, motion carried 4-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fickies, Clerk

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