

Webber Township

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SPECIAL MEETING

March 24th, 2022

Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call: Kelly McCune, Dan Cousar, Pat Williams, Kathy Young, Ernie Wogatzke present.

Approval of Agenda: With the addition of request for new tires by the fire department, for the side by side. Motion made by Pat Williams, supported by Kelly McCune to approve the agenda, with addition. All in favor motion carries.

Ongoing Business:

ARPA funds: Discussion on how to spend the ARPA funds. Report is due by April 30th, 2022. Discussion on paying the essential workers for the time period allowed through the ARPA funds. We would like to include: the fire fighters, Water/Sewer maintenance, and the election workers. It is stated that we cannot use the funds to pay the regular election workers, but because we were required to have people cleaning the voting booths and tables that those people should get extra pay. Also, possible funds to repair roads. Pat Williams gave us a break-down of what funds we would like to use. The Chief Dailey had input on the fire-fighters and what he would like to do with their pay. It is suggested that each firefighter & Water/Sewer (Sam) receive \$1500.00. the cleaning people would receive \$182.00 each. For a total of \$25864.00. Motion made by Kathy Young, supported by Pat Williams to approve the above payments. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

FOIA coordinator pay (reconfirm): The clerk requested a re-vote, wanting to have a full board present. She brings 3 different documentations stating that it is allowed, it is a non-statutory job and pay is not delegated by annual budget meeting and may be increased or decreased at any time. Supervisor Wogatzke states that he spoke with the attorney and that it is confirmed, but that it cannot be retroactive for time already put in. Trustee Cousar states that he has no problem with the coordinator getting paid, but that he doesn't know enough about it. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar Abstain, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young abstain, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 3 yeas, 2 abstain, 0 nay motion carries.

Confirm BOR member: Motion made by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to confirm Andrew Harter to the Board of Review. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

Garden Account: Discussion on getting a separate account for the community garden. A non-profit account was discussed. General conclusion, is that it is a lot of work and very restrictive, so we would say no to this. Discussion on whether or not the township could donate the use of land and water for the community garden. Supervisor Wogatzke will confer with the attorneys on this matter.

Osceola/Lake County Conservation District membership fees: For the last several years the township has paid \$575.00 for membership fees. They are again requesting that we stay members for \$575.00 Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Dan Cousar to approve the membership fees of \$575.00 Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

Tires: The fire department is asking for funds to buy tires for the side x side. It only has 2-ply tires on it now, and they won't last long. They are asking for approximately \$900.00 for tires. Motion made by Kathy Young, supported by Dan Cousar to approve up to \$900.00 for new tires for the side x side. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

Star Link: no definite date from them (only that it would be Mid 2022) for the arrival of the equipment (most equipment went to Ukraine). Prices have increased from \$499.00 to \$549.00. Monthly fees increased from \$99.00 to \$110.00.

Public Comment: Angel Williams re-adjustment on property clean-up. She wants a new bid. The board re-iterates that when he is done, if it doesn't take as much as \$17,500.00, he will re-adjust the bid. Owner would like a copy of contract. It is explained that the contract consists of the Approval of his bid, documented in the minutes, with the bids. She is told she can FOIA the request. Questions about blight on US-10. Is something going to be done about them? Is it going to court?

Adjournment: Motion made by Kathy Young, supported by Pat Williams to adjourn. All in favor, motion carries.

Adjourned: 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Young, clerk