

**Webber Township**

2286 W. Springtime St.

Baldwin, MI 49304

Regular Meeting

September 8, 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:**

Motion made by Dan Cousar, supported by Kelly McCune to approve the agenda with additions, (add on budget amendments in ongoing business). All in favor, motion carries.

**Approval of the minutes:**

Motion by Kathy Young, supported by Pat Williams to approve the minutes of August 11, 2022, and September 7, 2022. All in favor motion carries.

**Approval of accounts payable:**

**General Fund:** Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Kelly McCune to approve the general fund. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

**Fire Fund:** Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Kelly McCune to approve the fire fund. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

**Water/Sewer Fund:** Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to approve the water/sewer fund. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

**Refuse Fund:** Motion by Kelly McCune supported by Kathy Young to approve the Refuse fund. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

**Treasurer's report:** Given by Pat Williams

**Correspondence:** Supervisor Wogatzke states that he received a letter from the Village attorney. State Treasury accepted our correction to the poverty exemption and an email from Consumers Energy asking for support for a solar energy farm.

**Department Reports:**

**Fire:** Chief Dailey gave a run down of the last month's runs. He is asking for approval to send assistant Fire Chief Jeremy Anderson to a training and recertification in Lansing. The training is

approximately \$1800.00 (With motel room charge). Certification would be good for five years, and would allow him to work on the pumper truck saving the township \$1300.00 per year to have someone else certify the truck. Motion made by Pat Williams, supported by Kelly McCune to approve up to \$1800.00 for the Assistant fire chief to go to the (week long) training. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

**Sewer/Water:** N/A

**Co. Road Comm.:** Gary Truxton reports that the brining is done. Logging trucks are tearing up a road. Road Commission is responsible to fix them.

**Co. Comm.:** Len Todd thanks the public for their support.

**Sheriff Dept:** Sheriff Martin reports that the deputy that was injured in a fall is paralyzed from the neck down. They don't expect any improvement. A newly hired officer is handling all sex abuse cases. Our county is one of the few that is fully staffed.

**Grant Writer:** N/A

**Co. Parks/Rec.:** Supervisor Wogatzke reports that everything is on track with our partnership with the Village of Baldwin.

**Zoning Admin.:** Chris gave report on what he has been doing the last month.

**Planning Commission:** Trustee Cousar reports that they have 7 ordinances ready for a public hearing.

**LCEDA:** They are meeting quarterly. Next meeting is Sept. 26, 2022

**DDA:** N/A

**Parks/Rec:** Did not meet.

### **Ongoing Business:**

Answers to last month's questions.

**Ballot Proposal:** The Proposal is on the ballot. Supervisor Wogatzke says we need to spread the word and let people know what it is all about. We need to advertise to get a positive outcome.

**Fencing Bids:** One bid received from Good Neighbor Fencing. \$46000.00 for the security fencing around the tower. \$23100.00 was the bid for the well house. Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to approve the bid from Good Neighbor Fencing. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

**Budget Amendments:** Trustee Cousar states that he asked for a copy of the final budget amendments for 2021/2022, but then forgot to come in. He is again requesting a copy of that.

### **New Business:**

Approval of Jackie Jacobs as Deputy Treasurer, with signatures on bank account. (Approval only needed for signatures). Motion made by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to

approve adding Jackie Jacobs on the bank account (signatures). Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

Cemetery: Our program for the cemetery does not match our cemetery. Nikki Cross (Deputy clerk) would like approval for her & Jackie Jacobs be allowed pay to physically go out to the cemetery and document the lots/plots/headstones and redo our cemetery map & have our cemetery program corrected. Motion by Kathy Young, supported by Pat Williams to approve Nikki and Jackie the extra pay to do this. she spoke with Wetherall Surveying and they do this kind of thing, but it would run \$1000.00 per day. She also states that she was advised to call MTA and talk with them. Further discussion, the board feels that Nikki should research the MTA, and maybe get an estimate on cost for Wetherall to survey the cemetery. Roll call vote: (motion on the floor), Kelly McCune nay, Dan Cousar nay, Pat Williams nay, Kathy Young nay, Ernie Wogatzke nay. 0 yea, 5 nay motion fails.

Motion by Kathy Young, supported by Kelly McCune to table this issue until further information is available. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune yea, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carries.

Resolution to accept the signatures for the Special Road assessment for Jeanne Dr. Supervisor Wogatzke states that we need to set up Public Hearing before adopting/signing a resolution. Public Hearing set up for October 13, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. Letters will need to go out to the property owners before the Hearing. Marie Lowing & Connie Brown will do that.

Request to surrender property to Webber Township. Notice from Edwin Greensmith wanting to surrender 2 lots to Webber Township. He would like any profits from the sale to go to charity in our area. One lot # is questionable It will be checked out before the board makes a decision.

**Public Comment:** Complaint on tall grass, stating the township is putting people in danger by allowing tall grass to impede vision. Marie Lowing thanks the board for their assistance with the Special Assessment journey.

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

**Adjourned:** 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Young, clerk