

Webber Township

2286 W. Springtime St.

Baldwin, MI 49304

Regular Meeting

July 13, 2023

Call to Order: 6:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Dan Cousar, Pat Williams, Kathy Young, Ernie Wogatzke present. Kelly McCune is absent.

Approval of The Agenda: Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Dan Cousar to approve the agenda, with subtractions and one addition. All in favor (4 yea, 1 absent) motion carries. Add retraction of the votes made on June 7, 2023

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Kathy Young supported by Pat Williams to approve the minutes of June 7, 2023, June 21, 2023 and July 12, 2023. Roll call Vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

Approval of Accounts Payable:

General Fund: Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to approve the General Fund. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

Fire Fund: Motion by Pat Williams supported by Dan Cousar to approve the Fire Fund. Roll call vote; Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

Water/Sewer Fund: Motion by Pat Williams supported by Dan Cousar to approve the Water/Sewer fund. Roll call vote; Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

Refuse Fund: Motion by Dan Cousar supported by Kathy Young to approve the Refuse fund. Roll call vote; Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

Treasurer's Report: Given by Pat Williams.

Public Comment: questions and opinions regarding a \$500 ARPA payment, Waste Water hauler not being a licensed hazardous hauler, waste water concerns from the marijuana facility, Insurance: firefighters, employees, officials. Property that went from assessment to lien.

Department Reports:

Fire: Chief Al Dailey gave the run report,

Water/Sewer: Report given by Sam Philipp. Well #4 is leaking oil. Northern pump is bringing a loaner pump up. There is no estimated cost on the repairs to our pump until we know why it is leaking. Sam states that the estimate for the repairs to the Ford Truck are \$1796.16. Motion by Kathy Young, supported by Pat Williams to approve the money for repairs to the Ford truck. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

Road Comm.: Leroy states that they paved Merrillville Rd from 16th Street to 24th Street, which is a county road for which they are responsible for. It was at no cost to the taxpayers. 32nd Street, peacock to James is done.

Co. Comm.: Clyde Welford gave a brief report. He said the commissioners signed a resolution of support for using the TRV (RRP) for possible juvenile facility. ORV park is getting the upgrades. MDOT out of Cadillac came and gave an assessment of the downtown traffic flow and foot traffic safety. They also looked at a possible Round-about at the corner of US-10 and M-37. Their conclusion is that there is not enough room for a Round-about.

Sheriff Dept.: Sheriff Martin states that they are applying for a \$200K grant to purchase more trailers, and lasers that would take pictures of vehicles/drivers. Dial a Ride is going to operate from 4-8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. They will also run from 9 a.m.-1:00 p.m. on Sundays, but you must call on Friday for a Sunday pickup. Sheriff's charity drive has handed out approximately \$65K donations. Recycling, driver's education programs are a possibility they are researching.

Grant Writer: N/A

Co. Park/Rec: They plan on starting the grant improvements to the youth park around August 1st, 2023 and should have it completed by November 30th, 2023.

Zoning Admin: Chris Jacobs gave report of what his office has done in the last month. He also provides the board with the minutes of the meeting that the board conducted interviews for the position of zoning administrator. It states in the minutes the terms of the position, including a raise at 6 months and one at a year. Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to honor the terms of employment and give the zoning administrator a raise bringing him to \$20 per hour.

Planning Comm.: Jackie Jacobs gave a report of their last meeting, what they worked on and what the plans are for the next meeting. They have a public hearing set for Aug. 28, 2023 to amend section 21.04 for non-conforming/cabins being added to the resort area.

LCEDA: N/A

DDA: N/A

Park/Rec.: No reservations for the park/pavilion will be taken after the 1st of August, so that the grant project can get started. The pavilion will be flagged off for safety as the park does not close.

Ongoing Business:

Retraction of the votes on June 7, 2023:

Motion by Dan Cousar, supported by Pat Williams to retract the votes of a salary position for the Water Operator in charge. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent, motion carries.

Motion by Dan Cousar, supported by Pat Williams to retract the vote of hiring Infrastructure when the water operator in charge is at a mandatory training. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young nay, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 3 yea, 1 nay, 1 absent, motion carries.

Motion by Dan Cousar, supported by Pat Williams to retract the vote of moving Jesse as maintenance man. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

Refuse Bids: Supervisor provides the board with a possible advertisement, to put in the local paper. Some board members feel it is a waste of money, we never get any responses. The clerk suggests that we mail out, copies of the advertisement to all area refuse haulers. Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Dan Cousar to solicit bids in the local paper and by sending the advertisement to all area refuse haulers. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries

Supervisor Wogatzke presents the board with a resolution allowing the creation of a personnel committee (3 residents, and 2 board members). Motion by Kathy Young, supported by Pat Williams to approve the resolution 2023-07-13. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

Electric to Pole Barn: The estimate has gone up to run the electricity to the pole barn. It is now \$9155.00. Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to approve the \$9155.00 to run the electricity to the pole barn. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

New Business:

Election workers: The clerk is seeking approval of Pat Williams, Jackie Jacobs, Kathy Young, and Nikki Hughes for the upcoming August election. Motion by Kathy Young supported by Pat Williams to approve those election workers. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea 1 absent motion carries.

Training for Treasurer/Deputy: Motion by Kathy Young supported by Dan Cousar to approve training for \$254.00 for the treasurer and the deputy treasurer to attend training in Cadillac on August 1st. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams abstain, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 3 yea, 1 abstain, 1 absent, motion carries.

Cemetery Storage: Motion by Dan Cousar, supported by Kathy Young to solicit bids in the local paper for a 24' x 30' building with 8 ft. walls at the cemetery to store the cemetery equipment. Roll call vote: Kelly McCune absent, Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 absent motion carries.

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

Adjourned: 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Young, clerk