

**Webber Township**

2286 W. Springtime St.

Baldwin, MI 49304

February 10, 2022

**Regular Meeting**

**Call to Order:** 6:00 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Attendance Roll Call:** \* Dan Cousar, Pat Williams, Kathy Young, Ernie Wogatzke present

\*One trustee vacancy

**Approval of the Agenda:** Motion made by Kathy Young, supported by Pat Williams to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 0 nay motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by Pat Williams, supported by Dan Cousar to approve the minutes of January 13, 2022 regular meeting, January 25, 2022 special meeting and February 9, 2022 Finance meeting. Roll call vote: Dan Cousar yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 0 nay motion carried.

**Appointments:**

**Trustee:** Three applications received; Anthony Gagliardo, Christine Crosthwaite, and Jim Cochran. Motion made by Dan Cousar to appoint Anthony Gagliardo, no support is heard, motion fails. Motion made by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to appoint Jim Cochran as Trustee. Roll call vote: Pat Williams yea, Dan Cousar nay, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 3 yea, 1 nay motion carried.

**Zoning Administrator:** Two applications submitted, Robert Toland, and Larry Reed. Supervisor Wogatzke states that he had a conversation with Mr. Toland about what the job entailed. Mr. Toland expressed to the supervisor that he was no longer interested in the position. Members of the board felt like we should have a special meeting to interview with Mr. Reed further. Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Dan Cousar to set a special meeting for February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 1:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Dan Cousar yea, Jim Cochran yea, Pat Williams yea, Kathy Young nay, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 4 yea, 1 nay motion carried.

**Confirmation of Deputy Clerk:** Motion by Pat Williams, supported by Kathy Young to approve Nicole Cross for Deputy clerk's position. Roll call vote: Pat Williams yea, Jim Cochran yea, Dan Cousar yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carried.

**Accounts Payable:**

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

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

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

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

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

**Guest Speaker:** From Habitat for Humanity. Spoke of possibilities of partnering with them to build affordable housing. Volunteers needed and always welcome! A group of young men and women will be in the area early summer to help with yard clean-ups & need help to seniors/veterans etc. They will be here for a month.

Dan Cousar: Dan gave us updates on the American Rescue Plan. It is general consensus that we should do another workshop type meeting to get a game plan going. There is a need to get ahold of the auditor for the "loss of revenue" issue if we choose to go that way.

#### **Department Reports:**

**Fire:** Chief Dailey gives run report. He states that he would like the Board to consider meeting pay for him. A Per Diem would have to be set up and this would be done at the Annual Meeting.

**Sewer/Water:** Sam gave report. All needed permits have been submitted. He is requesting approval for himself and Jesse to attend a training session for Waste Water Collection systems, on February 23, 2022. Cost would be \$390.00 for both to attend. Motion made by Pat Williams, supported by Dan Cousar to approve the training for both employees for \$390.00. Roll call vote: Pat Williams yea, Jim Cochran yea, Dan Cousar yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke yea. 5 yea, 0 nay motion carried.

**Co. Road Comm.:** Gary Truxton gave us a brief report. He also suggests to the Board that we consider using some of the Rescue Plan money for our roads.

**Co. Comm.:** Bob Sanders gave report. Summary includes possibly opening up roads for ORV, that was tabled for now. Reiterating that the Rescue Plan money could be used for a lot of things, including upgrading the township hall. He also states that the county received 1.1 million dollars, with another 1.1 million dollars to come this year. N-95 masks and covid testing done at the Five Cap. The TRV building may possibly be used for youth.

**Sheriff Dept:** N/A clerk provides supervisor with written reports from the sheriff.

**Grant Writer:** N/A

**Co. Parks/Rec:** Ernie gives report that we are moving forward with partners. Administrators are Prein/Newoff.

**Zoning Admin:** N/a

**Planning Comm.:** Dan reports that there is a rezoning error on the map, we need to fix it. Putnam Lake is rezoned from R-1 to Resort. Mapping error across from GEO (high density) to commercial. There was an Ordinance proposal sent to Andy @ Williams & Works concerning Arrowhead village, it is high density and to allow for manufactured housing.

**LCEDA:** N/A

**DDA:** N/A

**Ongoing Business:**

Land Sale Offer: The \$2100.00 offer to Jamie & Jessie Davis has been accepted, with a survey need at their expense. The written offer is outdated and either needs to be re-written or a verbal offer made. Motion by Dan Cousar, supported by Pat Williams to approve a verbal offer to Jamie/Jessie Davis. Roll call vote: Pat Williams yea, Jim Cochran yea, Dan Cousar yea, Kathy Young yea, Ernie Wogatzke abstain. 4 yea, 1 abstained, motion carried.

Grant St. Clean-up: Two bids were received: Carr Settlement @ \$17,500.00, and Smith Dumpsters @ \$20,000.00. Members of the Board had questions that could not be answered at this time and felt it should be tabled and added to the February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting. Motion to table and put on the agenda for 2-14-22 made by Pat Williams, supported by Dan Cousar.

**New Business:**

The clerk is requesting extra pay for the FOIA request, and retro pay from when she first requested it. It is a non-statutory job. The Red Book states that that type of job should pay what the lowest hired employee earns per hour, however the clerk states that we charge \$15.00 an hour for the public FOIA and she would be satisfied with that. Motion made by Pat Williams supported by Dan Cousar to pay the clerk for non-statutory duties of FOIA at a rate of \$15.00 per hour, with retro pay at the annual meeting. Clerk will need to keep logging her hours. Roll call vote: Jim yes, Dan Cousar yes, Pat Williams yes, Kathy Young abstain, Ernie Wogatzke yes. 4 yes 1 abstain, motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

Gary Truxton apologizes to the clerk for the extra time taken to make sure his FOIA was complete. Ruth Riley states that her FOIA request is not what she asked for. She requests her payment of \$40.30 be refunded. She also has concerns about the clean-up process and the bids and our policy. Also wants to know the status of three complaints filed in November. Angel Williams voices concerns about the police being called due to a possible threat. Carole Hill has concerns about time sheets for a hired employee. The clerk states that she needs to go back and look at the time sheets, Carole wasn't sure of the dates for the time sheets, but would get back to the clerk on it. Tony Gagliardo has concerns about paying the clerk for FOIA requests. Motion by Pat Williams supported by Kathy Young to adjourn. All in favor motion carries.

Adjourned: 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Young, clerk