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WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 27, 2023

Location: 7644 Durham Road, Whitehall MI 49461

- I. **Call to Order:** Arnold Erb, Township Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Arnold Erb.
- III. **Roll Call:**
 - Arnold Erb, Supervisor ■ Margaret Kraai, Treasurer
 - Ilene Nichols, Clerk ■ Chuck Schmitigal, Trustee ■ ~~Dennis Kroll,~~
Trustee-(Absent)
- IV. **Approval of Agenda March 27, 2023:**

Motion to approve made by Chuck, Madge 2nd the Motion
Roll call vote: 4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.
- V. Approval of the February 27, 2023 Township Board Meeting Minutes.
Approval of the March 6, 2023 Township Budget Meeting Minutes.
Approval of the March 13, 2023 Township Board Workshop Meeting Minutes.

Motion to approve made by Chuck, Madge 2nd the Motion
Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.
- VI. **Public Official** – Kim Cyr – made a presentation Safe Senior Program and Age Well.
- VII. **Public comment** – with regards to items on the agenda only 3 minutes per comment. Only one comment per person. Rise, give your name and address, and direct your comments to the board. If speaking for other people or person you must have a signed letter from them giving you that authority.
No public comment made at this time.
- VIII. **Correspondence** –
 - A. Nationwide Fees

IX.

Financial Reports

A. Clerk – General Fund, Sewer Fund, and Water Fund Profit and Loss Reports **on file if they need to be reviewed**

B. Clerk –

Ilene Nichols made the motion to pay the following bills:
General Fund – Check Number from 19653 to 19709 in the amount of \$28,097.88 Motion 2nd by Madge

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

Ilene Nichols made the motion to pay the following bills:
Sewer Fund – Check Number from 4387 to 4400 in the amount of \$18,925.14 Motion 2nd by Madge

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

Ilene Nichols made the motion to pay the following bills:
Water Fund – Check Number from 1020 to 1032 in the amount of \$7,409.41 Motion 2nd by Madge

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

X.

Unfinished Business: n/a

XI.

New Business

A. Disc Golf, Brian Mulnix update. Annual Meet and greet. General maintenance and keep the course cleaned up. 60 to 100 players on Monday nights.

B. Prime Seasons Contract for yard maintenance. Chuck stated that we should add to this contract for the corner by the leaf and brush area to existing contract. Chuck made the motion to accept all three areas of the contract and Madge 2nd the motion.

C. Presentation by Matt Varnum, White River Light Station – request to place signs at the corner of White Lake Drive and Whitehall Road. Signs will be two foot by three foot in size. Would like to add to existing post if possible. Chuck made the motion that the three items above be accepted as stated. Madge 2nd the motion.

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

D. White Lake Fireworks Committee - Chuck made the motion to approve \$300.00 to help pay a portion of the cost for the fireworks 4th of July show. Madge 2nd the motion.

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

E. Senior Allocation, contribution to White Lake Senior Center. – Chuck made the motion or approve \$2,000.00 to help support this center. Madge 2nd the motion.

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

F. MCRC, brine contract – Chuck made the motion to sign the contract. Madge 2nd the motion

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

G. Pickleball Court Improvement, contract with Racquet Sports Company for re-surfacing in the amount of \$25,260.00 – Chuck made the motion to move forward with the resurface. Madge 2nd the Motion

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

H. Adopt 17th Amendment of Zoning Ordinance – Chuck made the motion to adopt the amendment. Arnie 2nd the motion

**Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent
4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.**

XII.

Committee Reports

Arnie – Solid Waste Transfer Station – Pride day will not be taking place this spring. Maybe in the fall.

Chuck – White Lake Ambulance Authority – No report at this time.

Dennis – White Lake Fire Authority – Dennis no present today.

Madge – Planning Commission – Turned down Special use permit for limited industrial zone.

Arnie – Parks and Recreation – nothing to report at this time.

XIII.

Officer's Reports

A. Supervisor – Arnold Erb MTA annual meeting and Road Commission.

B. Water and Sewer Administrator – Arnold Erb – discuss with city to renew contract – meeting with Becky Paige re: sewer connection. Suggested doing Phase two first.

C. Zoning Administrator – Rachael Novak

D. Treasurer – Margert Kraai -Wrapped up Tax season.

E. Clerk – Ilene Nichols – Made the announcement of new Deputy Clerk being Amanda “Mandie” Lee.

F. Office Manager

XIV.

Public Comment – with regards to non-agenda items only – 3 minutes per comment. Only one comment per person. Rise, give your name and address, and direct your comments to the board. If speaking for other people or person you must have signed letter from them giving you that authority.

A. Juice Moehlman – made comment about the lift station. Juice also inquired about a grant Scott Erdman once received. Scott explained the grant was for biofuel program in the past. Juice then asked why the biofuel business venture was terminated so abruptly. Scott stated it was because Greg Marczak had passed away. He also explained that he is in the process of cleaning up his land.

B. Darwin Carlson - Questions brought up about the cleanup under

the power lines in the Silver Creek Road Area.

C. Scott Erdman – made comment about the tire recycling center

D. Kathy Dusseau - donated a Michigan historical piece of art to the township

XV.

Announcements:

A. Township Board Meeting – April 24, 2023 at 4:30pm.

XVI.

Adjournment:

Motion made by Madge, 2nd by Chuck

Roll Call Vote: Arnie Y, Madge Y, Chuck Y, Ilene Y, Dennis Absent

4 Ayes 1 Absent motion carried.

Arnold Erb

Arnold Erb, Supervisor

4-29-23

Date

Ilene R. Nichols

Ilene Nichols, Clerk

4/29/23

Date