

October 2023

The New Haven Township Board met on October 9, 2023 at New Haven Township Hall located at 2705 Easton Rd Owosso, Mi. The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Supervisor Hill, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A roll call was taken. Members present: Trustee Buginsky, Treasurer Eickholt, Supervisor Hill, and Clerk Wirwicki.
Absent: Trustee LeCureux.

Guests: Colleen Horton, Lee Horton, Fred Gray, Larry Senk, Fred Riley, Margaret Loffelman, Cathy Fink, Bonnie Brown, Kaitlin Riley, Fred Riley, Brian Matthies and Commissioner Holzhausen.

Motion by Treasurer Eickholt, supported by Clerk Wirwicki to approve the agenda with the following amendments: Election grant, Audit, L4029, unpaid Road Commission Invoice, LCSA Funding, PA system, cemetery complaints, handicap ramp update, VC3, Spectrum Free cell phone, Corunna Ambulance Contract, Hall rental issues, Treasurer Printer, File cabinet for clerk, Easton Rd estimate, cemetery bulletin board, Microsoft office 365. All ayes. Agenda approved.

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Supervisor Hill to approve the September 11, 2023 meeting minutes with Treasurer Eickholt's amendments. All ayes. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Eickholt presented the Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2023. General Fund: Horizon \$244,860.98; Mi Class \$651,757.61; MSU Credit Union \$124.21; For a General Fund Total of \$896,742.80.

Other Funds:

Perpetual Care Account: Horizon: \$3,971.67, Mi Class: \$36,841.11. Two Mil Road Account: \$55,058.13; Ambulance Account: \$244.21; Fire Account: \$566.08; SATA Account: \$420.63; ARP Funds: Horizon: \$1,549.37, Mi Class: \$82,265.93; Tax Checking Account: \$20,484.33.

A total of all funds: \$1,098,144.26.

Motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Trustee Buginsky to approve Treasurer's Report as presented. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Delegates:

Commissioner Holzhausen updated the Board on events happening at the County including that the county offices were currently moving back into the Court House Building.

Old Business:

Supervisor Hill discussed issues with the Hall Coordinator, stating no one has heard from her since August. Mrs. Hill has been doing the duties of hall coordinator for September.

A motion by Supervisor Hill, supported by Trustee Buginsky to have Trish Hill be the new Hall Coordinator. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Treasurer Eickholt, supported by Trustee Buginsky to move into closed session at 7:16pm to discuss the two applicants to replace Alen LeCureux as Trustee. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Treasurer Eickholt to open the regular meeting at 7:22pm. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Trustee Buginsky, supported by Treasurer Eickholt to accept ~~Alen~~ **Allen** LeCureux's letter of resignation as Trustee as of today October 9, 2023. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Treasurer Eickholt, supported by Supervisor Hill to appoint Fred Gray to the position of Trustee for the remainder of the term. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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Supervisor Hill appointed Larry Senk to the position of Planning Commission to replace Fred Gray, Treasurer Eickholt supported the appointment. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Treasurer Eickholt to use ARPA funds to pay the first invoice for the 6 Mile Creek Rd repaving in the amount of \$38,080.00 **which payment was approved in September, but not designated to ARPA Funds at that time.** A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Treasurer Eickholt to pay a missing invoice from 2022 for the second application of Mineral Brine in the amount of \$16,729.20 from the Road Account. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Treasurer Eickholt to close the regular meeting at 7:34 and move into the Election Commission meeting. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Supervisor Hill to close the Election Commission meeting at 7:37 and move into the regular meeting. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Discussion about getting Microsoft ~~360~~ 365 from VC3 took place. No action was taken, being deferred until 2024.

Treasurer Eickholt let the board know that the State overpaid our township's share of the LCSA (Metro Act) Funds. We received \$5678.73, and should have received \$5657.35. Next year's amount will be adjusted by \$21.58 according to a **notice received** by Treasurer Eickholt.

A motion by Supervisor Hill, supported by Clerk Wirwicki to approve the purchase of two bulletin boards for the cemeteries at a price of \$165.99 each. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

A motion by Supervisor Hill, supported by Clerk Wirwicki to approve the purchase of a large file cabinet for the clerk's office to match the election file cabinet at a price of no more than \$900.00. A roll call was taken. Ayes: Hill, Wirwicki. Nays: Eickholt, Buginsky, Gray. Motion Failed.

A motion by Trustee Buginsky, supported by Treasurer Eickholt to approve signing a new contract with Corunna Area Ambulance Service. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Clerk Wirwicki asked for an update on purchasing a new Lazer colored printer approved at the July 18, 2023 meeting for a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00 to be paid for with ARPA Funds. ~~No update to give.~~ **Cost would likely be more than \$2,500.00, more research needed.** No action was taken.

Trustee Buginsky asked for an update on the Election Grant that was applied in October 2022. Clerk Wirwicki responded that she received a request for more information in September, she sent the requested information and received an email from the Bureau of Elections on September 25th stating the file was being sent to processing. No Action was taken.

Trustee Buginsky asked for an update of the Audit. Clerk Wirwicki explained the yearly audit was completed by the accountant and an F65 Report was filed with the State. The report is posted on the State of Michigan website with a link to on our website. No action was taken.

Clerk Wirwicki asked if Supervisor Hill received a bid from RESD for purchasing and installing a PA System. No update. No action was taken.

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Trustee Buginsky advised the board that they are ~~supposed~~ **required** to approve **and submit** the **L4029 by September 30th annually**. Clerk Wirwicki said she would add that to the Clerk's training book she is making. No action was taken.

Clerk Wirwicki asked if a bid was received for the paving of Easton Rd using ARPA funds. No update. No action was taken.

Clerk Wirwicki let the board know that Spectrum offers a cell phone for one year free to the township. No action was taken.

Clerk Wirwicki advised the Board she has received several complaints on the condition of West Haven Cemetery. The grass was over 9 inches long twice in September. A family mowed their own family lot. The township lost a possible sale of a cemetery lot to a non-resident. No action was taken.

Clerk Wirwicki updated the board on the progress of replacing the handicap ramp. No action was taken.

Clerk Wirwicki asked if the VC3 project was ~~supposed~~ to be ARPA Funds or General Funds. **It was stated ARPA Funds were not designated to the VC3 Project.** No action was taken.

New Business:

Reading of the Planning Commission's recommendations on the proposed Planned Unit Developments (PUD) amendments took place along with discussion from the board. Supervisor Hill told Clerk Wirwicki to submit the Planning Commission's recommendations on the proposed Planned Unit Developments (PUD) amendments to the county. No Vote took place.

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Supervisor Hill to approve the expense of \$25 for the clerk to take an Election update webinar through MTA. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Clerk Wirwicki presented a Resolution the MTA asked township to approve and send to the House and Senate. A motion by Treasurer Eickholt, supported by Clerk Wirwicki to approve Resolution 2023-7 Opposition to legislation to preempt local control for the siting and permitting of utility-scale renewable facilities including solar, wind and large-scale battery storage facilities. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Call to Public:

Brian Matthies from Corunna Ambulance Service spoke.

Payment of Bills:

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Treasurer Eickholt to pay bills in the amount of \$9,938.33 from the General Fund. A roll call was taken. All Ayes. Motion Carried

The next regular board meeting will be November 13, 2023 at 7:00 pm at New Haven Township, 2705 Easton Rd Owosso, Mi.

A motion by Clerk Wirwicki, supported by Supervisor Hill to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 pm. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Heather Wirwicki, New Haven Township Clerk