

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

August 9, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Chad VanSyckle, Treasurer Melissa VanSyckle, Clerk Penelope Ypma, Trustee Aaron VanSyckle, Trustee Jake Ypma.

Meeting called to order at 7 p.m. by Supervisor VanSyckle.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kelly Dull read a letter of resignation to the board for the position as Clerk. Kelly reported that after 16 months of training with Clerk Ypma, she feels that she is not a good fit for the position of Clerk. Kelly thanked the board and Clerk Ypma for the opportunity of learning what it takes to be a clerk of the township.

MINUTES: Without objection or correction, the July 12, 2022 Regular Board Meeting minutes were approved. Moved by J. Ypma, supported by C. VanSyckle. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Report provided. No discussion. Approved as read. Treasurer VanSyckle reported on special assessments and would work with Johnstown Treasurer regarding a special assessment for Clear Lake in the future.

CLERK’S REPORT – Clerk Ypma reported on the excessive number of FOIA requests received pertaining to the November 2020 Election and the recent August 3, 2022 Primary Election. The board adopted a fee schedule of \$2.00 per copy for 1-sided xerox copies. \$18 per hour for staff to be paid for time spent preparing request. All FOIA request that require a fee must pay half the amount calculated to the township in order for the FOIA to be completed. Final payment must be paid in full at the time the FOIA request is delivered. All ayes. Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT: recommended to the board that we get quote for an update on heating and cooling for the township. The township’s furnace and air conditioner are 25 years old. The board agreed for supervisor to get quotes. Funds will come from ARPA.

TRUSTEE REPORT: MIXER RD APPROACH: Trustee Ypma reported on the Mixer Rd. approach. Extending 250’ would cost \$18,000 and 750’ would cost \$50,000. The board tabled until next month’s meeting. Jake reported that the “No Semi Trucks” signs are up on E. Dowling Rd.

APPROVE WARRANTS: Moved by J. Ypma, supported by P. Ypma, to approve payment for checks #12824-12855 in the amount of \$23,269.21. All ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: GENERATOR: the board approved to use ARPA Funds to purchase a Kohler generator from Morgan Electric in the amount of \$10,500. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** All yes. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

DOWLING CEMETERY EXPANSION: Tabled pending additional research.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT: Commissioner Bruce Campbell

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: Scott Adams, owner of Adams Family Farms, presented an update on his marijuana business. Josh Smallwood, owner of GreenCo, presented an update on his marijuana business. Bonnie Roush complained about her road and how the road commission grades after dust control has been applied.

ADJOURNMENT
Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Chad VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date