

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

June 14, 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: None

MINUTES: Without objection or correction, the May 10, 2022 minutes were approved. Moved by J. Ypma, supported by M. VanSyckle. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Report provided. No discussion. Approved as read.

CLERK’S REPORT –Clerk Ypma reported that she turned in our ARPA report to Walker, Fluke & Sheldon for filing. Clerk Ypma asked the treasurer if the board could get a report for our next month’s meeting on how much money the township has received in ARPA Funds for tracking purposes.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT: Supervisor VanSyckle reported that petition would need to be completed by the landowners in Hickory Hill Subdivision in order to pave/resurface the streets in that subdivision.

APPROVE WARRANTS: Moved by J. Ypma, supported by M. VanSyckle, to approve payment for checks #12773-12798 in the amount of \$16,886.97. All ayes. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ARPA EXPENDITURES:

INTERIOR LIGHTING: Supervisor VanSyckle made an apology for reporting the wrong amount in replacing the lighting from Morgan Electric last month in the amount of \$52,468. The correct amount to replace the lighting from Morgan Electric is \$2,468.00. It was moved by C. VanSyckle, supported by J. Ypma, to hire Morgan Electric to replace the lighting using ARPA funds.

DOWLING CEMETERY EXPANSION: Trustee Ypma reported his measurements to expand the Dowling Cemetery and suggested that the board make an offer to purchase more land. A motion made by J. Ypma, supported by C. VanSyckle, to move into closed session to discuss the purchase of land. All ayes. Motion carried.

At 7:10 pm the board went into closed session.

At 7:20 pm the board resumed the regular board meeting. Supervisor VanSyckle reported that the board has made a decision to make an offer to purchase additional land adjoining the Dowling Cemetery. Clerk Ypma was appointed to negotiate the offer to purchase. Minutes of the closed session will be sealed and kept sealed for 1-year.

NEW BUSINESS:

GUEST: Scott Monroe, S.W. Barry County Sewer, presented a report to run sewer lines from an area in Delton to Dowling. Scott explained that the two townships, Johnstown and Baltimore, would need to petition the county to request ARPA Funds from the county. The projected amount provided by Scott Monroe was \$1,811,333.

OUTDOOR TAX BOX: Supervisor VanSyckle provided some information on his research in finding a secure box for deposit of taxes. Supervisor VanSyckle suggested that the box be placed next to the ballot box outdoors on the porch. It was suggested by Trustee Ypma that the township treasurer, Melissa VanSyckle, approve and order the type of box that she feels fits her needs. Supervisor VanSyckle volunteered to secure the box to the cement. The cost for the box was approximately \$280.00.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Bruce Campbell

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Chad VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date