

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
May 9, 2023

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

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor VanSyckle.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Jim Dull asked the board to reconsider the new clerk's salary increase.

MINUTES: Without objection or correction, the Regular Meeting minutes on April 11, 2023, were approved. Moved by J. Ypma, supported by P. Ypma. All ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Report provided. Approved as read. Treasurer VanSyckle reported on the CD's. Moved by M. VanSyckle, supported by A. VanSyckle, to move the \$100,000 CD to a 10-month maturity date. All ayes. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Ypma reported that 5 applications for Clerk have been received. 1 applicant does not live within the township. Applicants must be a township resident. The deadline to apply is May 20, 2023.

APPROVE WARRANTS: Moved C. VanSyckle, supported by P. Ypma, to approve payment for checks #13082-13098 in the amount of \$12,422.54. No discussion. All ayes. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mixer Rd. Approach – Moved by J. Ypma, M. VanSyckle, to use \$18,000 from the ARPA Funds to pave a 250' approach on Mixer Rd. and M-37. Roll Call Vote: M. VanSyckle – YES A. VanSyckle – NO C. VanSyckle YES P. Ypma YES J. Ypma YES Motion carried.

Foundation Repairs at Cemeteries – Tabled until June 2023 regular board meeting.

New Pavilion – Supervisor VanSyckle presented a bid from Ray Kaufman in the amount of \$26,760 for a 30x40 pavilion. The board tabled pending the outcome of the grant application filed May 6, 2023 with the County.

NEW BUSINESS:

L-4029 Millage – Treasurer VanSyckle reported that more information is needed.

Mercy Ambulance Contract – Supervisor VanSyckle presented a letter that he received from Mercy Ambulance. The letter is requesting a monthly amount of \$20,000 per month from the townships who contract with BIRCH, to purchase equipment. The townships portion would be approximately \$2,500 per month. The board discussed the need to consider a fire mileage in the future to help fund services. The board tabled until Supervisor VanSyckle attends a special meeting with BIRCH.

Poverty Exemption 2023 – Moved by C. VanSyckle, supported by M. VanSyckle, to approve the Poverty Exemption update presented by Supervisor VanSyckle. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT – Bruce Campbell presented a report.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: Gene Willison questioned where the road commission gets the gravel for our roads. Kelly Dull reported that the County Directory has the previous cemetery sexton for Baltimore listed. The previous sexton retired during the printing update of when the county publishes books. It will get changed in the next publication.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Chad VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date