

BALTIMORE TOWNSHIP MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
September 14, 2021

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 August 10, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes were approved. With correction to the August 28, 2021 Special Board Meeting minutes (to approve tax levy), Aaron VanSyckle was in attendance. Moved by C. VanSyckle and supported by M. VanSyckle. All ayes. Motion carried.

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

CLERK’S REPORT – a copy of the budget status was distributed to each board member. Clerk Ypma reported free webinar trainings to all board members that are available through MI Township Association. Other options regarding training conferences are available. A flyer regarding on-line learning courses provided by MI Township Association was distributed. On-line courses are also available without a township subscription package at a reduced cost compared to in-person learning.

APPROVE WARRANTS: Moved by J. Ypma, supported by A. VanSyckle, to approve payment for checks # 12555-12577 in the amount of \$16,758.67. No discussion. All ayes. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ARPA FUNDS: Paperwork has been submitted. Supervisor VanSyckle reported that help from Thornapple Township Supervisor, Eric Schaefer, was provided.

DUST CONTROL BIDS: Supervisor VanSyckle reported a verbal quote from Saylor in the amount of \$40-45,000 for 2 applications. Trustee Ypma asked if supervisor would get written quotes for our next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

TREASURER CONFERENCE & TRUSTEE CONFERENCE: Treasurer VanSyckle presented to the board requesting to attend the treasurer retreat to be held in Frankenmuth, MI on October 26-27, sponsored by MI Township Association. A request for approval for the trustee retreat to be held in Frankenmuth, MI on October 24-25. The board denied request. Clerk Ypma presented the importance of having conference expenditures budgeted. No conference funds have been budgeted in this year’s budget. Trustee Ypma suggested that the board adopt a conference policy. Supervisor VanSyckle asked Trustee Ypma to write a suggested policy for next month’s meeting.

BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTEE: Moved by J. Ypma, supported by M. VanSyckle, to appoint Maria Calderon to finish the term remaining as an alternate board of review member. Maria is replacing Brad Greenfield. All ayes. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT: Commissioner Bruce Campbell

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LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: Sue Willison questioned the yearly budget. Gene Willison questioned the special meeting regarding approval of the tax levy held on August 28, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Chad VanSyckle, Supervisor

Date

Penelope J. Ypma, Clerk

Date