

Speaker Township Board Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2022

Meeting called to order **Maitland** @ 7:00 p.m., Five (5) Board members present

Pledge of Allegiance said

Approval of April 5, 2022 meeting agenda: **Motion to approve April 5, 2022 Meeting Agenda made by Murray, second by Sheldon. Motion carried.**

Approval of March 1, 2022 meeting minutes: **Motion to approve March 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes made by Murray, second by Stanley. Motion carried.**

Approval of March 2022 Treasurer's report: **Sheldon**(Treasurer) reviewed report advising that the last payments were made to the County and the bold amounts are what will be due from the county. **Motion to approve March 2022 Treasurer's Report made by Murray, second by Stanley. Motion carried.**

Approval of March 2022 bills: **Motion to approve March 2022 bills (Township bills \$2,683.38) made by Murray, second by Sheldon (Fire Dept. bills \$3,891.42) made Stanley, second by Murray & (Township payroll \$5,044.25) made by Murray, second by Stanley. Motion carried.**

Grant Burgess(Grant Burgess Excavating, LLC) present to discuss options on improving the driveway at the Speaker Township Cemetery. **Burgess** presented a map of the driveway stating that there are sections that need to be cut down and graded prior to new gravel being put down. He stated that he would recommend limestone as it is cheaper than gravel right now. He inquired as to what level of grade is needed. Discussion held that 9' would be sufficient and looking at possibly 200 tons. **Burgess** will provide a quote by the May township meeting.

Cubitt(Clerk) advised **Grant Burgess** that she had been contacted by Kaatz Funeral Home and they wondered about when footings would be in place for a headstone placement. **Burgess** advised that it would be in May once the conditions improved with the ground.

Discussion held on the cemetery excavating contract and **Grant Burgess** agreed to renew the contract for another year. **Motion to renew the excavating services contract for the Speaker Township Cemetery with Grant Burgess Excavating, LLC from March 1, 2022 to March 1, 2023 made by Stanley, second by Murray. Motion carried**

Public Comment: (Present: Ben Steinhoff , Bonnie Sproul, David Sproul, Trevor Stone, Brian Mahaffy, Gerald Pathic, Caroline Pathic, Andrew Schuster, Grant Burgess, Joel Wyatt & Jan Priess)

Jan Priess inquired about the township sign and if the Board intended to install a new one.

Sheldon(Treasurer) stated it was being worked on and a new sign would be implemented. **Cubitt**(Clerk) advised that the pricing has changed and waiting to get current pricing from the company in order to move forward.

Fire Report: Stone(Fire Chief)

There were 5 total fire runs in March

Repairs were made on Engine 1 by replacing the air compressor unit. Tanker 2 had several air leaks and were adjusted. Batteries went bad on Tanker 1 and one the Rescue unit replaced and not under warranty.

Two new applicants for the fire department: **Kendall Paige Landry & Brandon Robert Gielegthem**. Both subjects have been background checked. They live in Yale and are currently in the Fire Fighter class, which should be done in October. Stone(Fire Chief) would like to hire each individual on as a Probationary Firemen.

Motion to approve the hiring of Kendall Paige Landry & Brand Robert Gielegthem on the Speaker Township Fire Department as Probationary Firemen made by Sheldon, second by Stanley. Motion carried.

MFR classes began last week with 10 attendees not just from Speaker Fire Department. There is an issue with the bandwidth size of the Internet for the training. It was not known that each attendee would need to access the internet with a device. **Stone**(Fire Chief) contacted Frontier and there is an option to increase the bandwidth for a few months to accommodate the training. He did not have the information needed to approve the upgrade. **Cubitt**(Clerk) will make contact with Frontier to try to get the problem resolved. **Stone**(Fire Chief) did contact Thumb Cellular to try to get some devices to assist with the internet issue but had not heard back from them yet.. **Maitland**(Supervisor) asked how long the training went and was advised approximately 7 weeks.

About ½ of the departments dress uniforms have arrived. Will be dispersed at next meeting.

Stone(Fire Chief) inquired to the garbage pickup schedule as the garbage bin is full and has been for a few weeks. **Cubitt**(Clerk) advised Knox Disposal has been bought out by GLF Environmental and a call will be placed tomorrow to find out why the bin has not been emptied.

Planning Report:

Steinhoff(Planning Commission) advised that Planning member **Jerry Rumenapp** has resigned and a new member will need to be appointed. A public hearing was held on the golf course/campground special land use request on March 29, 2022. There were many in attendance and there was quite a bit of input. It was decided to have another meeting on April 4, 2022 to discuss restrictions and approval of the special land use. **Debbie Kesteloot** (Planning Commission Secretary) has the list of restrictions. **Maitland**(Supervisor) inquired as to what happens next and **Steinhoff**(Planning Chairman) stated that Dean Hughes needs to produce the paperwork required within the restrictions to finalize the project. It mentioned that Attorney Brian Garner did not attend the meeting on April 4, 2022. **Murray**(Trustee) advised that **Eric Alexander**(Willow Tree Golf Course) was now in attendance and **Eric** advised that they would have the paperwork ready in a week or two and he will contact Supervisor Maitland with the information.

Discussion held with **Gerald & Caroline Pathic** on an issue that has been brought forward with their residential property being in a commercial district. They want to do a land split and were advised by the Tax Assessor that they cannot do according to the township ordinance. **Steinhoff**(Planning Chairman) advised that the commercial ordinance needs to be amended to include residential and he will email the lawyer to get the best course of action. More discussion ensued and **Maitland**(Supervisor) insured the **Pathic's** that the issue would be taken to the lawyer for a resolution.

Zoning Report: Sproul(Zoning Administrator) (SEE ATTACHED REPORT) read her report.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

Township Agreement for Improvements for Local Roads:

Maitland(Supervisor) reviewed the contact with the Road Commission for general gravel patching on various roads at an estimated cost of \$20,000.00. **Motion to Approve Agreement for Improvement on Local Roads with the Sanilac County Road Commission made by Murray, second by Stanley. Motion carried.**

Mclvor Lawn Care Contract for Township & Cemetery:

Maitland(Supervisor) read the bids presented by Mclvor Lawn Care for the mowing of the township grounds and a for the mowing of the Speaker Township Cemetery (SEE ATTACHED for the 2022 season. Cubitt(Clerk) advised that the contract for the Speaker Township Cemetery was emailed and was not returned by Mclvor Lawn Care prior to the meeting. The change in the cemetery contract is that instead of \$150.00 per mowing he is requesting a flat rate of \$4,000.00 for the year to mow the cemetery. **Motion to Approve the Mclvor Lawn Care bids for lawn care of the Speaker Township Hall and the Speaker Township Cemetery made by Sheldon, second by Stanley. Motion carried.**

Burnham & Flower Insurance Group Par Plan bill \$13,657.00:

Supervisor(Maitland) reviewed the annual insurance bill advising it covers vehicles, buildings and personnel in the amount of \$13,657.00 **Motion to Approve payment of the Burnham & Flower Insurance Group Par Plan bill in the amount of \$13,657.00 made by Murray, second by Sheldon. Motion carried.**

Business CD Redemption:

Sheldon(Treasurer) stated that the 2 businesses in Speaker Township being Lone Oak Apple Orchard and the Good Tymes barn were made to put \$500.00 in a CD in lieu of a bond upon opening their business. Both owners are requesting to cash in the bonds prior to maturity. They have filled out the proper paperwork and Sheldon(Treasurer) will be contacting the bank. *Motion Amend - Motion*

Replacement of E-Poll Book(Election Equipment):

Maitland(Supervisor) read the quote from Dell equipment in the amount of \$894.02 to replace the current election E-Poll Book. Cubitt(Clerk) explained that the E-Poll book was brand new in 2016 and the past few elections has had problems in turning on. The Sanilac County IT Director procured a bit for the township clerks with Dell under her contract with pricing at \$894.02. **Motion to approve the purchase of a Dell Latitude 3520 laptop to replace the current Election E-Poll in the amount of \$894.02 made by Stanley, second by Murray. Motion carried.**

Tax Assessor Contract Amendment:(SEE ATTACHED)

Maitland(Supervisor) advised the Tax Assessor contract was approved at the March1, 2022 township meeting at a rate of \$13.50 per parcel. At the township budget meeting held on March 22, 2022 a motion to increase the Tax Assessor per parcel rate from \$13.50 to \$14.50 per parcel was approved. This amendment addresses the change in the per parcel rate. **Motion to approve the Tax Assessor Contract Amendment to reflect the increase from \$13.50 per parcel to \$14.50 per parcel made by Murray, second by Sheldon. Motion carried.**

Brian Mahaffy(Liberty Power) announced that all board members and township residents were invited to the luncheon that was being held at the Speaker Township Hall on 04/06/2022 @ 12pm to 7pm. He stated this is the perfect opportunity to get questions answered on the windmill project in order to be able to education the residents.

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 8:30 p.m. made by Murray, second by Sheldon. Motion carried.

Dawn M. Cubitt

Speaker Township Clerk

Speaker Township Special Board Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2022

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Maitland @ 6:00 a.m. 5 Board Members present.

Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda as presented made by Murray, second by Sheldon. Motion carried.

Public Comment: N/A

New Business:

1. Resolution 2022-6 to Approve Wind Farm Fee Schedule:

Maitland(Supervisor) read Resolution 2022-6 listing the Wind Farm Fee Schedule to be adopted for 2022. **Motion to approve Resolution 2022-6 Wind Farm Fee Schedule made by Sheldon, second by Stanley. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Sheldon, Stanley, Maitland, Cubitt. Nays: 0. Abstain: Murray.**

2. Appoint Wayne D. Smith to Fill Vacancy on Planning Commission Board:

Maitland(Supervisor) asked **Murray**(Trustee) for some background/ experience on Wayne D. Smith. **Murray**(Trustee) stated that he has been exposed to government as his grandmother had been the clerk for Brown City for many years. Wayne would assist her in the computer work. **Motion to appoint Wayne D. Smith to the Planning Commission Board to fill a Vacancy made by Maitland, second by Stanley. Abstain: Murray Motion carried.**

Discussion on possibly having an alternate position for the Planning Board for instances when a member cannot attend a meeting, etc. There are a few people possibly interested. Will be discussed further at the next Planning meeting.

3. Failed Culvert Issue at Speaker Township Cemetery:

Grant Burgess(Sexton) sent photos to the clerk of a hole caused by a failed culvert at the cemetery. Discussion held on the drainage system at the cemetery and whether the culvert is still an active part of the system. **Murray**(Trustee) to contact **Grant Burgess**(Sexton) to get his opinion on how to proceed with the repair or whether to take it out. **Maitland**(Supervisor) will fill in the hold for the time being as there is a burial on Friday at the cemetery.

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 6:37 p.m. by Murray , second by Stanley. Motion carried.

Dawn M. Cubitt

Speaker Township Clerk

Speaker Township Zoning Report

May 3, 2022

4/14/2022 Spoke with Mayser Jarjes at 7970 Jordan Road; emailed the SLUP application and Affidavit for completion.

4/20/2022 Spoke with Mark re: 7970 Jordan Rd; states his property in North Branch was grandfathered in and felt that they were in Speaker Twp since he has been there since 2019.

*I called North Branch and spoke with Bonnie; they have Brian Garner for their attorney also, and it sounds like their Ordinance is the same as ours. Their Zoning Adm passed away and they are in the process of filling the position; once it's filled, they plan to pursue their illegal operations as well.

4/26/2022 Communicated with Robert Barnes, Attorney regarding documentation for the ZBA Hearing regarding Greg Ross.

4/28/2022 Spoke with Mark again, explained that he is not grandfathered in, and that Mayser needs to submit his SLUP application prior to May 14, 2022. He stated that they will be up here May 3, 2022 to do so. He was also asked to bring documentation/licensing from the State to be submitted as well.

Bonnie Sproul, zA

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Accrual Basis

Speaker Township - Fire Fund
Expenses by Vendor Summary
March 1 through April 5, 2022

	Mar 1 - Apr 5, 22
Accident Fund	1,806.25
Brown City Auto Parts	113.56
Burns Tractor Services, Inc.	522.97
DTE Energy	-930.32
Frontier	159.97
Knox Disposal	20.00
Mitel	44.80
Nye Uniform	318.29
Semco Energy	890.52
Speaker Township Tax Fund	-39,908.76
Yale Hardware	15.06
TOTAL	-36,947.66

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Accrual Basis

Speaker Township - General Fund
Expenses by Vendor Summary
March 1 through April 5, 2022

	Mar 1 - Apr 5, 22
Accident Fund	318.75
Danielle Choate	-50.00
DTE Energy	240.86
Election Source	266.39
Frontier	39.98
Grant Burgess Excavating, LLC	650.00
Knox Disposal	20.00
Laura Powell	-50.00
Linda Wismer	-50.00
Mclvor Lawn Care	75.00
Mitel	182.00
Nicole Martel	-100.00
Quadient	89.97
Quickbooks	19.08
Sanilac Co. Health Dept.	260.00
Semco Energy	362.95
Speaker Township Fire Department	-1,850.44
Speaker Township Tax Fund	-86,986.05
State of Michigan	-23,002.00
View Newspaper Group	158.40
TOTAL	-109,405.11

\$ 2,683.38

Speaker Township - General Fund Payroll Summary April 1 - 5, 2022

	Baumeister, Shelly M		Cubitt, Dawn M		Davies, Bernie R	
	Hours	Rate	Apr 1 - 5, 22	Hours	Rate	Apr 1 - 5, 22
Employee Wages, Taxes and Adjustments						
Gross Pay						
Assessor Wages	1		1,244.58			0.00
Clerk Wages			0.00	1		900.00
Deputy Clerk			0.00			0.00
Deputy Treasurer			0.00			0.00
Supervisor Wages			0.00			0.00
Treasurer Wages			0.00			0.00
Zoning Wages			0.00			0.00
Board of Review Wages			0.00			0.00
Total Gross Pay	1		1,244.58	1		900.00
Adjusted Gross Pay	1		1,244.58	1		900.00
Taxes Withheld						
Federal Withholding			-89.00			-104.00
Medicare Employee			-18.05			-13.05
Social Security Employee			-77.17			-55.80
MI - Withholding			0.00			0.00
Medicare Employee Addl Tax			0.00			0.00
MI - Cities Res Tax			0.00			0.00
MI - Cities Work Tax			0.00			0.00
Total Taxes Withheld			-184.22			-172.85
Net Pay	1		1,060.36	1		727.15
Employer Taxes and Contributions						
Medicare Company			18.05			13.05
Social Security Company			77.17			55.80
MI - Obligation Assessment			0.00			0.00
Total Employer Taxes and Contributions			95.22			68.85

Speaker Township - General Fund Payroll Summary April 1 - 5, 2022

	Davies, Be...		Kesteloot, Debra A		Maitland, William J		Seckel, Ke...	
	Apr 1 - 5, 22	Hours	Rate	Apr 1 - 5, 22	Hours	Rate	Apr 1 - 5, 22	Hours
Employee Wages, Taxes and Adjustments								
Gross Pay								
Assessor Wages	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Clerk Wages	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Deputy Clerk	0.00	1		335.50			0.00	
Deputy Treasurer	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Supervisor Wages	0.00			0.00			416.67	
Treasurer Wages	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Zoning Wages	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Board of Review Wages	143.00			0.00			0.00	1
Total Gross Pay	143.00	1		335.50			416.67	1
Adjusted Gross Pay	143.00	1		335.50			416.67	1
Taxes Withheld								
Federal Withholding	0.00			-17.00			-25.00	
Medicare Employee	-2.07			-4.87			-6.05	
Social Security Employee	-8.86			-20.80			-25.83	
MI - Withholding	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Medicare Employee Addl Tax	0.00			0.00			0.00	
MI - Cities Res Tax	0.00			0.00			0.00	
MI - Cities Work Tax	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Total Taxes Withheld	-10.93			-42.67			-56.88	
Net Pay	132.07	1		292.83			359.79	1
Employer Taxes and Contributions								
Medicare Company	2.07			4.87			6.05	
Social Security Company	8.86			20.80			25.83	
MI - Obligation Assessment	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Total Employer Taxes and Contributions	10.93			25.67			31.88	

Speaker Township - General Fund Payroll Summary April 1 - 5, 2022

	Seckel, Kenneth		Sheldon, Tracy S		Sproul, Bonnie J			
	Rate	Apr 1 - 5, 22	Hours	Rate	Apr 1 - 5, 22	Hours	Rate	Apr 1 - 5, 22
Employee Wages, Taxes and Adjustments								
Gross Pay								
Assessor Wages	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Clerk Wages	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Deputy Clerk	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Deputy Treasurer	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Supervisor Wages	0.00		1	0.00			0.00	
Treasurer Wages	0.00			987.50		1	0.00	
Zoning Wages	0.00			0.00			500.00	
Board of Review Wages	176.00	176.00		0.00			0.00	
Total Gross Pay		176.00	1	987.50		1	500.00	
Adjusted Gross Pay		176.00	1	987.50		1	500.00	
Taxes Withheld								
Federal Withholding	-1.00			0.00			0.00	
Medicare Employee	-2.55			-14.32			-7.25	
Social Security Employee	-10.91			-61.22			-31.00	
MI - Withholding	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Medicare Employee Addl Tax	0.00			0.00			0.00	
MI - Cities Res Tax	0.00			0.00			0.00	
MI - Cities Work Tax	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Total Taxes Withheld		-14.46		-75.54			-38.25	
Net Pay		161.54	1	911.96		1	461.75	
Employer Taxes and Contributions								
Medicare Company	2.55			14.32			7.25	
Social Security Company	10.91			61.22			31.00	
MI - Obligation Assessment	0.00			0.00			0.00	
Total Employer Taxes and Contributions		13.46		75.54			38.25	

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Speaker Township - General Fund Payroll Summary April 1 - 5, 2022

	Steinhoff, Ben H		Wolf, Deborah		TOTAL	
	Hours	Rate	Hours	Rate	Hours	Rate
	Apr 1 - 5, 22		Apr 1 - 5, 22			
Employee Wages, Taxes and Adjustments						
Gross Pay						
Assessor Wages		0.00		0.00	1.00	1.00
Clerk Wages		0.00		0.00	1.00	1.00
Deputy Clerk		0.00		0.00	1.00	1.00
Deputy Treasurer		0.00	1	198.00	1.00	1.00
Supervisor Wages		0.00		0.00	1.00	1.00
Treasurer Wages		0.00		0.00	1.00	1.00
Zoning Wages		0.00		0.00	1.00	1.00
Board of Review Wages	1	143.00		0.00	3.00	3.00
Total Gross Pay	1	143.00	1	198.00	9.00	9.00
Adjusted Gross Pay	1	143.00	1	198.00	9.00	9.00
Taxes Withheld						
Federal Withholding		0.00		0.00		
Medicare Employee		-2.07		-2.87		
Social Security Employee		-8.86		-12.27		
MI - Withholding		0.00		0.00		
Medicare Employee Addl Tax		0.00		0.00		
MI - Cities Res Tax		0.00		0.00		
MI - Cities Work Tax		0.00		0.00		
Total Taxes Withheld		-10.93		-15.14		
Net Pay	1	132.07	1	182.86	9.00	9.00
Employer Taxes and Contributions						
Medicare Company		2.07		2.87		
Social Security Company		8.86		12.27		
MI - Obligation Assessment		0.00		0.00		
Total Employer Taxes and Contributions		10.93		15.14		

Speaker Township - General Fund
Payroll Summary
April 1 - 5, 2022

	TOTAL
	Apr 1 - 5, 22
Employee Wages, Taxes and Adjustments	
Gross Pay	
Assessor Wages	1,244.58
Clerk Wages	900.00
Deputy Clerk	335.50
Deputy Treasurer	198.00
Supervisor Wages	416.67
Treasurer Wages	987.50
Zoning Wages	500.00
Board of Review Wages	462.00
Total Gross Pay	5,044.25
Adjusted Gross Pay	5,044.25
Taxes Withheld	
Federal Withholding	-236.00
Medicare Employee	-73.15
Social Security Employee	-312.72
MI - Withholding	0.00
Medicare Employee Addl Tax	0.00
MI - Cities Res Tax	0.00
MI - Cities Work Tax	0.00
Total Taxes Withheld	-621.87
Net Pay	4,422.38
Employer Taxes and Contributions	
Medicare Company	73.15
Social Security Company	312.72
MI - Obligation Assessment	0.00
Total Employer Taxes and Contributions	385.87

TOWNSHIP OF SPEAKER:

Resolution Number **2022-6**

Resolution: Adoption of 2022 Wind Farm Fee Schedule

Whereas Township of Speaker, Sanilac County is adopting the following Wind Farm Fee Schedule for 2022:

Charge per Mega/ Watt:	\$1,500.00 + Cost*
Substation:	\$2,000.00 + Cost*
Transmission Line Fee:	\$1,800.00 per mile+ Cost*
Yearly Inspection Fee:	\$700.00 per Mega Watts/ Turbine + Cost*
Yearly Inspection Fee on Substation:	\$700 per substation
Yearly Inspection Fee on Transmission Lines:	\$300.00 per mile
Junction Boxes:	\$100.00 each

Alternative Energy Projects started without permits approved by Speaker Township are subject to \$10,000.00 per day penalty.

*Cost: Registered Mail, Certified Mail, Postage, Published Meeting Notices, Hall Rent

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

The foregoing Resolution **2022-6** offered by Board Member Sheldon

Second offered by Board Member Stanley

Upon roll call vote the following voted "Aye": Sheldon, Stanley, Maitland, Cubitt

"Nay": / Abstain: Murray

The Supervisor declared the Resolution adopted.

Dawn M. Cubitt 4/26/2022

Dawn M. Cubitt, Clerk

Resolution # 2022-6

Speaker Township Board Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2022

Meeting called to order **Maitland** @ 7:00 p.m., Five (5) Board members present

Pledge of Allegiance said

Approval of Meeting Agenda with amendment to remove item #4(Fee Structure for Wind Project made by Maitland, second by Murray. Motion carried.

Approval of February 1, 2022 meeting minutes: **Motion to approve February 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes made by Murray, second by Stanley. Motion carried.**

Approval of February 2022 Treasurer's report: **Motion to approve February 2022 Treasurer's Report made by Stanley, second by Murray. Motion carried.**

Sheldon(Treasurer) advised the ARPA fund account has been set up and will not see much activity until the second ARPA fund payment is received in the fall of 2022. Maitland(Supervisor) inquired as to what the 2nd payment amount would be and he was advised it would be \$64,050.50. **Sheldon**(Treasurer) stated that there was a small check received of left-over ARPA funds that was also deposited into the new account.

Guest: N/A

Public Comment: (Present: , Brenda Murray, Hughes, Bonnie Sproul, David Sproul, Brian Mahaffy & Jan Priess)

Priess(resident) mentioned that she did some research and the drain laws changed in March of 2021 and the Drain Commission is supposed to notify residents affected by drains via letter before doing the work and they have to disclose who requested the drain work, etc. She stated that COVID got in the way and the zoom meeting was held on the Sloat and Cole drain work. Maitland(Supervisor) stated he can't tell the Drain Commissioner how to do his job but he will make contact to remind them about the notification required prior to completing drain work.

Brian Mahaffy(Liberty Power) gave an update on the Windmill Project. Advised things are going well as they met with some landowners today and believes some turbine routing issues have been resolved. Maitland(Supervisor) mentioned gravel and asked about routes that would be needed. **Mahaffy**(Liberty Power) stated they are not there yet as they need to get the wind turbine locations set and then they will look at the routes and contact the township.

Fire Report: **Stone**(Fire Chief) absent. (SEE ATTACHED) **Maitland**(Supervisor) read fire report.

There were three runs all total in February.

We have completed and our site inspection and we are all set to host MFR class at the fire station. MFR classes will start on 4/1/22.

We are in the midst of having Front Line Services perform some repairs on the engine 1 . It needs the onboard air compressor repaired and I was unable to obtain parts to fix it ourselves. They also repaired the on board compressor system on tanker 1 as it was not shutting off properly.

Tanker 1 also had the batteries short out due to age and Charlie replaced them today so we will see a bill for those.

I have also just serviced the fuel filter on the rescue truck.

I have also received notice from Bonnie that she is ready to move forward with the previously planned garage sale in June.

We had the uniform company out at our business meeting and the members that did not previously have a uniform were measured and uniforms ordered.

Planning Report: Steinhoff(Planning Commission) absent. Motion to approve Murray(Trustee) to give report made by Maitland, second by Cubitt.

Murray(Trustee) stated that a meeting was held last month to discuss and set the Public hearing date for Dean Hughes special land use permit for the campground. The meeting date was set for March 29, 2022. The notice will need to be posted in the paper and the letters notifying the residents will be going out. **Murray(Trustee)** stated that Planning Secretary(**Deb Kesteloot**) is currently working on the same.

Zoning Report: Sproul(Zoning Administrator) (SEE ATTACHED REPORT)

Sproul(Zoning Administrator) submitted report along with wording to be added to the Zoning Permit in reference to expiration language supplied by Attorney **Brian Garner**. Discussion held that wording looks appropriate and to discuss with Steinhoff(Planning Chairman) prior to implementation.

Review of Zoning Report and Sproul(Zoning Administrator) advised that the citations were ordered and should be in within the next couple weeks.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

Resolution 2022-3 2022 Tax Year Hardship Application Process:

Maitland(Supervisor) read Resolution 2022-3 for the 2022 Tax Year Hardship Application Process upon request of **Tax Assessor Shelly Baumeister**.(SEE ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION) **Motion to Approve**

Resolution 2022-3 2022 Tax Year Hardship Application Process made by Stanley, second by Murray.
Roll Call Vote: AYES: Sheldon, Stanley, Maitland, Cubitt & Murray. NAYS: 0. Motion carried.

Drain Commission Estimate for Budget Year 2022(\$9,866.37):

Maitland(Supervisor) read the \$9,866.37 estimate from the Drain Commission. There are 3 new drains added to the existing work that continues or has been completed.

Engineer Contract for Wind Project:

Maitland(Supervisor) explained that the township needs to hire an engineer to be in charge of the windmill project. Board members met with Chris Townley and he is very experienced in this area. Fremont Township will also be contracting with him. The cost is estimated at \$16,000.00 **Motion to approve the contract with Townley Engineering LLC with an estimated cost of \$16,000.00 made by Murray, second by Stanley. Motion carried.**

Approval of Accident Fund Workmen's Comp Insurance Annual Premium (\$2,125.00):

Maitland(Supervisor) presented the annual bill for Workmen's Comp Insurance from the Accident Fund in the amount of \$2,125.00. **Motion to approve payment to Accident Fund in the amount of \$2,125.00 made by Murray, second by Sheldon. Motion carried.**

2022 Board of Review Appointments:

Maitland(Supervisor) presented three (3) Board of Review members for appointment:

Ben Steinhoff

Ken Seckel

Bernie Davies

Motion to appoint Ben Steinhoff, Ken Seckel & Bernie Davies to the Speaker Township 2022 Board of Review made by Murray, second by Stanley. Roll Call Vote: AYES: Sheldon, Stanley, Maitland, Cubitt & Murray. NAYS: 0. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 7:50 p.m. made by Stanley, second by Sheldon. Motion carried.

Dawn M. Cubitt

Speaker Township Clerk

Treasurers Report

Tuesday, April 05, 2022

Checking	Feb		March				March	
	Reconciled Balance	Checks / Debits	Deposits	Service Charges	Interest	Projected Balance	Interest Rate	
Tri-County Bank								
Fire Truck Fund 0435	\$64,485.79		\$1,000.00		\$11.12	\$65,496.91	0.20%	
Operating Fund 0242	\$44,558.52	\$15,129.88	\$39,908.76		\$7.24	\$69,344.64	0.20%	
Millage Fund 3293	\$21,938.75				\$3.73	\$21,942.48	0.20%	
ARPA Funds 5040	\$65,053.14				\$11.05	\$65,064.19	0.20%	
Choice One Bank								
General Fund 0128	\$189,660.04	\$14,820.01	\$112,238.05		\$1.95	\$287,080.03	0.01%	
Social Security 9110	\$1,041.47	\$3,856.60	\$3,856.60		\$0.03	\$1,041.50	0.01%	
Tax Fund 7556	\$162,062.43	\$170,951.04	\$9,786.62		\$1.03	\$899.04	0.01%	
Petty Cash								
Change for Taxpayers	\$300.00					\$300.00		
CD's								
Tri-County Bank	March Balance	Date of Interest Pd 4x/yr	Interest	YTD Int	Interest Rate	Maturity Date		
	CD3844	2/14/2022	\$19.37	\$19.37	0.15%	2/14/2022		
	CD3852	2/14/2022	\$19.37	\$19.37	0.15%	2/14/2022		
	CD4166	1/14/2022	\$19.35	\$19.35	0.15%	4/15/2022		
Choice One Bank								
CD001-6116	\$594.95	3/11/2022	\$0.32	\$1.02	0.69%	6/11/2024		
CD002-6697	\$596.93	3/25/2022	\$0.31	\$1.01	0.69%	1/25/2025		

Speaker Township

Zoning Report

April 5, 2022

3/2/22 Kim Parraghi states Greg Ross wants to buy ¼ acre from her so that he can add it to his parcel to complete the 2 acre split.

3/7/22 TJ (realtor) inquiring if we require occupancy certificates? Emailed copy of Marijuana Ordinance for his records.

3/15/22 Daniel who is the new owner of 6421 Duquette Rd., wanted to know if he could split his property? Parcel is 4 acres, and the house sits almost in the middle, so advised him to consult with a surveyor and explained the 2 acre minimum split process.

3/16/22 Jerry wants to purchase land in our Township; can he build a pole barn prior to building a house?

Kim @ Oak Electric re: Cork Rd. Residence is getting roof mount solar panels, is there any permits required by the Township?

3/17/22 Met with Greg Ross, gave him paperwork for ZBA to request splitting his 3+ acres.

3/18/22 Anthony wants to put onsite wind turbine on property for self-sustaining home to be built. Emailed our Ordinance for his review.

3/23/22 Robert purchased property from Ed Fuller. Wanted to know if he could build barn prior to building house. Explained our Marijuana policy as it sounded like it could be a potential grow operation

3/25/22 Rebecca Lofton wants to split 2 acres off her 6 acre parcel. Currently working with her on the land split process.

3/28/22 Chris has property tax exemption certificates that needs to be returned to the Township. He emailed it to me and I forwarded it to Shelly.

3/29/22 Gerald Pathic requesting land split on property located on M-19. Paperwork mailed to him.

4/4/22 Scott wants to know if he could construct a building made out of shipping containers . Explained that we have an Ordinance that does not allow those in our Township.

Bonnie Sproul, ZA