

Caledonia Township Board Of Trustees – Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday March 13th, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

Caledonia Township Hall 6461 Gillard Rd. Spruce, MI 48762

- I. Call to order: C. Apsey presiding and called to order at 7:03 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance – Completed
- III. Roll Call – Anthony Sobeck; Present Tom Tice; Present Cyndi Apsey; Present
 Halley Rondeau; Present Cindy Smith; Present
- IV. Approval of Agenda with additions, deletions, and/or corrections: A Sobeck made **motion** to approve agenda as presented. T Tice seconded. All in favor. **Motion Passed**
- V. Guest Speaker – Toni Stump of MI Citizens Choice & County Commissioner: Toni Stump is an Alcona County Resident who is speaking out for Public Act 233 to get on the Nov Ballot this election. Right now Solar regulation is with the state and they are trying to bring it back to local control. She is here to get signatures for the petition. They will be available to sign after the meeting. Commissioner stated he support this Public Act 233. Also noted septic tank legislation is coming. The commissioners have 6 months to figure it out otherwise EGLE will run it. We are currently at 20% recycle rate and they want it at 45%.
- VI. Public Comment: Julie Mathewson requested a change to the minutes from last month regarding the section on the library. Stated she would like the Community Center and the Board to come back to the table to work a monthly charge to have the library in the community center that works for both parties. Consumers Rep was present and stated that Consumers has funding to help Alcona county reach the goal of all outages restored within 24 hours and that no single outage will effect more than 100,000 customers. We will see more of their presence in the area as they work on infrastructure upgrades, forestry management, grid modernizations, and equity and environmental justice.
- VII. Supervisor Report: Cyndi reported March board of review was well attended and happy people were coming out and getting answers to their questions.
- VIII. Clerk: Correspondence received from IT to sign the camera agreement. A Sobeck made a **motion** to sign the agreement. T Tice seconded. All in favor – **Motion Passed**. Correspondence received from auditor UHY stating ARPA funds need to be spent by 12/31/24.
- IX. Regular Meeting Minutes Feb. 14th, 2024: T Tice made **motion** to approve minutes with changes. Seconded by H Rondeau. All in favor – **Motion Passed**
- X. Special Meeting Minutes Feb 14th, 2024: C Smith made **motion** to approve minutes as presented. Seconded by T Tice. All in favor – **Motion Passed**
- XI. Election Update: Elections and Early Voting went we'll.
- XII. Bills to be Paid: A Sobeck made a **motion** to pay the bills as presented. Seconded by T Tice. All in favor: **Motion Passed**
- XIII. Treasurer Report: Tax roll completed
- XIV. Planning Commission Update: A Sobeck reported they met March with NEMCOG and went over changes. There will be a special meeting April 11th.
- XV. VA Rep: Jim Farrar gave an update that today in K9 veteran day. K-9's are used FBI, secret service, police, boarder patrol and many others. They should be honored for the work they do. Also adopt a grave is still available and encourage people to sign up.

- XVI. Budget adjustments: C Smith made a **motion** to approve the budget transfers as presented. T Tice seconded. All in favor – **Motion Passed.**
- XVII. 2024-2025 Budget: C Smith made a **motion** to approve budget with changes. Seconded by H Rondeau. Roll Call: C Apsey= Yes, T Tice=Yes, H Rondeau=Yes, C Smith=Yes, A Sobeck=Yes All on favor – **Motion Passed.**
- XVIII. Clerk Payroll Resolution: T Tice made a **motion** to approve Resolution 01-24. Seconded by H Rondeau. Roll Call: C Apsey= Yes, T Tice=Yes, H Rondeau=Yes, C Smith=Yes, A Sobeck=No – **Motion Passed.**
- XIX. Fire Contract: Tabled
- XX. Millage Renewal Fire Dept: Proposed wording for millage presented. A Sobeck made a **motion** to approve as presented. Seconded by T Tice. Roll Call: C Apsey= Yes, T Tice=Yes, H Rondeau=Yes, C Smith=Yes, A Sobeck=Yes All on favor – **Motion Passed.**
- XXI. Sale of Old Fire Truck: A Sobeck made a motion to approve the funds from the fire truck sale stay with the Fire Dept. T Tice seconded. All in favor – **Motion Passed.**
- XXII. Poverty Exemptions; C Smith made a **motion** to approved Resolution 02-24 as presented. Seconded by T Tice. Roll Call: C Apsey= Yes, T Tice=Yes, H Rondeau=Yes, C Smith=Yes, A Sobeck=Yes All on favor – **Motion Passed.**
- XXIII. Dust Control Policy: Tabled
- XXIV. Library: C Apsey reported she met with Community Center and Harrisville Library and was told \$1,200.00 a month was requested for monthly rent based on John Abbott (current landlord of library) stated he is currently charging the township 350.00 a month but if it wasn't the township he would change 800.00 a month and based on Alpena rental space is going for. This building is being built with donated funds no private owners. The latest offer given to the township is \$1000.00 a month plus utilities and water included. It was discussed that after hearing from Julie Mathewson that maybe the township and community center reps go back to the table to discuss.
- XXV. Board Comments: None
- XXVI. Adjourn: A Sobeck made **Motion** to adjourn at 8:10 pm. Seconded by T Tice. All in favor – **Motion passed**

Recorded by: Cindy K. Smith

Approved by the Board of Trustees on: 04/10/2024