

# Caledonia Township Board Of Trustees – Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday Oct 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 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  
                         Sarah Roe; Present                      Cindy Smith; Present
- IV. Approval of Agenda with additions, deletions, and/or corrections: A Sobeck made **motion** to approve agenda with additions. S Roe seconded. All in favor. **Motion Passed**
- V. Public Comment: Karen Brancheau asked what the process in for hiring the Planning Commission position.
- VI. County Commissioner: Not in attendance
- VII. Supervisor Report: None
- VIII. Clerk: C Smith reported back taxes should be cleared up- issue with State of Michigan. Copy of cleared check front and back was given to SOM.
- IX. Meeting Regular Minutes Sept 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023: C Smith made **motion** to approve minutes with corrections. Seconded by A Sobeck. All in favor – **Motion Passed**
- X. Special Meeting Minutes Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023: C Smith made **motion** to approve minutes as presented. Seconded by T Tice. All in favor – **Motion Passed**
- XI. Bills to be Paid: S Roe made a **motion** to pay the bills with voiding check 7245 to Ossineke Builders and reissue using check 7256 for 112.05 to Ossineke Builders and approve all others as presented. Seconded by T Tice. All in favor: **Motion Passed**
- XII. Correspondence: None
- XIII. Treasurer Report: S Roe submitted a letter of resignation to be effected 10/31/23. Treasurer report placed on file.
- XIV. Planning Commission Update: A Sobeck updated the board on Holcomb Creek fence. Possible Kayak Launch.
- XV. VA Rep: Jim Farrar gave an update that Veterans stones/markers and cleaned and leveled and aprox 140 more to go.
- XVI. John Abbott Library Property: John offered the board to purchase the library building and 2 lots for the appraised value of \$280,000.00. If not interested, he is going to list. The board didn't feel they could purchase at this time.
- XVII. NE Park Progress: Currently working on sand in playground. Cement pad will be completed this year. The playground will be completed next spring.
- XVIII. Dead Oaks: C Apsey got two quotes. C Smith stated Amy Steven would like to make fairy houses/bird baths/bird feeders ect from the stumps from the trees cut. Would need 6-8 foot left to do this project. C Smith made a **motion** to hire Nick Myers at \$3000.00 to remove dead oaks from oak wilt and to allow Amy Stevens to head the project and find volunteers to decorate stumps left from cutting. Seconded by A Sobeck. 4 yays 1 Nay (S Roe abstained) : **Motion Passed**
- XIX. Mockenridge Suit: Public Statement given.

- XX. Cemetery: Building has been painted. Waiting for decent weather to finish trimming and painting door.
- XXI. Funding Source: Board prefers to wait and seek grants.
- XXII. Sledding Hill Work Bee: C smith made a **motion** to allow C Apsey to have a work bee to trim trees and clear paths. A Sobeck seconded. All in favor: **Motion Passed**
- XXIII. Clerk Special Elections Compensation: Compensation of \$600.00 for Special elections only which are reimbursed by entity called for a special election. All townships are being proposed this in Alcona County. Resolution #23-02. A Sobeck made a **motion** to approve Caledonia Township Salary Resolution for special elections. T Tice seconded. Roll call: A Sobeck=Yes C Apsey=Yes S Roe=No T Tice= Yes C Smith=Abstained – **Motion Passed**
- XXIV. Community Gathering: Not feasible at this time.
- XXV. Elector Meeting: Need to reschedule as workers not verified yet. C Smith made a **motion** to schedule an electors Meeting for Monday October 16<sup>th</sup> at Noon. S Roe seconded. All in favor – **Motion Passed.**
- XXVI. Board Comments: Since there were some concerns about meeting not properly posted, a reminder to clear your cache, clear cookies, remove pop up blockers as this may result in you not seeing notices on our web page. To be transparent we will work with IT to see if we can create a link on home page as a backup to ensure everyone can see the Special Meeting notices. For transparency C Smith thought that since this concerned citizen left and never stayed for meeting past roll call, that we should remake the only motion of that meeting in this public meeting again. T Tice made a **motion** to appoint Madison Donovan to the Planning Commission effective Oct 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023. A Sobeck Seconded. 4 yays 1 Nay. – **Motion Passed.**
- XXVII. Adjourn: A Sobeck made **Motion** to adjourn at 8:05 pm. Seconded by S Roe. All in favor – **Motion passed**

Recorded by: Cindy K. Smith

Approved by the Board of Trustees on: 11/13/2023