

LILLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD MINUTES

January 9, 2023

UNAPPROVED

The **Regular Meeting of the Lilley Township Board** was called to order by Supervisor Bouwens at 7:30 P.M.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited – Invocation by Anderson

The **Roll was called** with Board Members present: Bouwens, Anderson, Hoving, Way. Absent Nelson

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hoving to approve agenda. All in Favor. Aye., **Motion Carried.**

Public Comment: Request by a citizen to add a floor game to the Senior Internet Café meetings. **Approved.** Another citizen expressed appreciation for the good work done by the Board.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Hoving to approve the December 12, 2022 minutes. All in Favor, Yes. **Motion Carried.**

Treasurer's Report: Reminder about the dog clinic to be held on January 21st, 2023 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM at the fire station. Contracts are to be prepared for Beaver Twp. for fire protection, a new four-year agreement, and for Home Twp. For Medical First Responders, a two-year contract.

Motion to approve the revised fire contract with Beaver Twp. for four years. **Roll Call:** Way, Yes; Hoving, Yes; Anderson, Yes; Bouwens, Yes. **Motion Carried**

The State of Michigan recently audited our financial records. Supervisor Bouwens announced the we passed with No errors. Results will be available on the State website. Each Department has run operations within budget and our Township has been in the Black for nine years. Congratulations to all.

Motion by Anderson to approve bills listed with addition of Fire Dept. equipment inspection payroll, Great Lakes Energy and the Township business card seconded by Hoving. **Roll Call:** Way, Yes; Hoving, Yes; Anderson, Yes; Bouwens, Yes. **Motion Carried**

Clerk's Items: None

Trustee's Items: Anderson spoke about an eyesore that needs removal and the poor condition of the roads. Hoving has completed the Planning Commission Annual Report with copies made available. The need for a sign on the new container at Transfer Station for cardboard only.

Supervisor's Items: Bouwens provided updates on the ongoing efforts to obtain a DNR Spark Grant to provide funds to upgrade our Township Center. He thanked Cindy Israels for her hard work in preparing for the Grant. Zoom meetings with the DNR representative are progressing. A Town Hall Meeting for public input regarding the Michigan Spark Grant will be held. The Road Commission will be here grading roads. He has ongoing discussions with American Classic on future plans for additional units at the Transfer Station. Issues with Hybrid cars and Fire Dept. training were discussed. Bouwens will be away for the Regular February 13th 2023 Board Meeting. Discussion followed.

Motion by Anderson seconded by Hoving to change that meeting date to February 20th, 2023. All in favor, Aye, **Motion Carried**

Fire Department & Medical First Responders Report: We have added a new Fire Fighter sworn in tonight. Suggestions for a plaque for Sparky who retired from the Department after 45 years. Township is due for Township fire extinguishers to be serviced. We need to get the word out that we need more Fire Department members.

The Annual Report from the Fire Department will be included with the minutes.

Planning Commission Report: Reminder to the public regarding Special Event Applications for upcoming events in 2023. Events requiring site plans and multiple permissions should be initiated 90 days prior to the event.

Lilley Township will hold a Town Hall Meeting prior to the regular January meeting of the Planning Commission. The Meeting will be January 19th, 2023 at 5:00 PM. The purpose of this public meeting is to discuss and get public input for the proposed plan for the Town Square Bitely Park area. This is in connection with application for the New Michigan Spark Grant funding. Public Comment is welcome and encouraged. The regular Planning Commission meeting will follow at 7:30 PM.

Zoning Enforcement: Permits issued include 1 Electrical, 3 Mechanical and 0 Zoning. 4 ongoing cases were pending. Received 13 phone calls, 15 were made and 8 visits done and misc. mailings.

Motion to adjourn by Way, seconded by Hoving. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Judith Hoving

Judith Hoving – Lilley Township Trustee