

Unapproved Minutes of the Whitefish Township Board Regular Meeting – October 1, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.

A. Call to Order and Roll Call

Ertel called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Present: Frank Lada (Y), Karen Bender (Y), Edson Forrester (Y), Darryl Ertel (Y).

Absent: Richard Gratopp

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Amendments to Agenda

None

D. Review of Minutes

Motion by Bender, second by Ertel, to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2020, Regular Meeting as presented. Discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Lada - (Y); Forrester - (Y); Bender – (Y); Ertel – (Y). Motion carried.

E. Clerk’s Report

Clerk’s report received via Karen Bender.

1. Whitefish Township was awarded the First Responder Hazard Pay Premium grant award of \$24,000, which in turn was distributed to employees listed in the grant application as a payroll check.

Motion by Bender, second by Forrester, to make corresponding budget adjustments for the grant award and distribution for Fire and EMS as follows:

| Category | Account | Description | Amount |
|----------|---------|----------------------|-------------|
| Income | 206-528 | Other Federal Grants | \$7,500.00 |
| | 210-528 | Other Federal Grants | \$16,500.00 |
| Expense | 206-702 | Wages | \$7,500.00 |
| | 206-715 | FICA | \$465.00 |
| | 206-716 | Medicare | \$108.75 |
| | 210-702 | Wages | \$16,500.00 |
| | 210-715 | FICA | \$1,023.00 |
| | 210-716 | Medicare | \$239.25 |

Discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Lada - (Y); Forrester - (Y); Bender – (Y); Ertel – (Y). Motion carried.

2. Anyone who is interested in becoming a write-in candidate on the November 3 General Election Ballot must submit a Declaration of Intent with the Clerk by October 23 at 4:00 p.m. The form is accessible via the Township website or in the Township office.
3. Absentee Voter ballots are now available.

F. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report received via Frank Lada. (Attachment #1)

G. Supervisor's report

Supervisor's report received via Darryl Ertel.

H. Presentations of Bills

Motion by Bender, second by Lada, to pay bills in the amount of \$84,917.43. (Attachment #2). No discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Lada - (Y); Forrester - (Y); Bender – (Y); Ertel – (Y). Motion carried.

I. Correspondence/Recognition/Announcements

Ertel recognized and thanked Sue Elenbaas and Greg Crampton for donating food and beverages for the personnel who cleaned up the Township Cemetery.

J. Public Comment

None

K. Departmental/Committee Reports

Fire department report received via Edson Forrester. (Attachment #3)

EMS report received via Renee Gray - memo. (Attachment #4)

No Library report received.

Zoning Administrator/OEO report received Edson Forrester. (Attachment #5)

No Zoning Board of Appeals activity.

Planning Commission will meet October 7, 2020 at which time they will present a resolution to recommend approval by the Township Board of the 2021-2025 Recreation Plan. There will be a Public Hearing on November 5 at 7:45 a.m. preceding the regular Township Board meeting to receive public input on the plan.

No Assessor report received.

No new WFT Environmental Cleanup Committee activity to report.

L. Old Business

None

M. New Business

1. EMS Budget transfer

Motion by Forrester, second by Ertel, to move \$80,265.48 from the EMS Fund Balance to the EMS Capital Outlay budget line (210-971). Discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Lada - (Y); Forrester - (Y); Bender – (Y); Ertel – (Y). Motion carried.

2. EMS Capital purchase

Motion by Forrester, second by Ertel, to purchase 2 Stryker Power Load Cor Systems and 2 LUCAS CPR Devices in the amount of \$80,265.48. No discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Lada - (Y); Forrester - (Y); Bender – (Y); Ertel – (Y). Motion carried.

3. Review Grant

Whitefish Township received its preliminary score on the DNR Recreational Grant application TF20-0123: 335 out of 500. We have a chance to improve our score by October 1. One area where we can gain points is by increasing the Local Match Percentage from the original 25% which equated to \$62,500 to a minimum of 26% which is \$65,000. This requires a new resolution to be passed.

- a. Motion by Bender, second by Forrester, to increase the Township financial commitment for the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Recreation Grant submission to \$65,000 matching funds (26% of total grant request representing a \$2,500 increase over previous commitment) as presented. No discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Lada - (Y); Forrester - (Y); Bender – (Y); Ertel – (Y). Motion carried.

- b. Motion by Forrester, second by Bender, to approve Resolution # 10012020 which specifies the Township financial commitment for the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Recreation Grant submission at \$65,000 matching funds (26% of total grant request). No discussion.

Roll Call Vote: Lada - (Y); Forrester - (Y); Bender – (Y); Ertel – (Y). Against – none. Absent – one. Motion carried.

N. Land Division

No land divisions.

O. Sign and Return Minutes to Clerk

Signed minutes returned to the clerk.

P. Adjournment

Motion by Forrester, second by Lada, carried to adjourn meeting at 8:33 a.m.