

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLOUEZ TOWNSHIP BOARD

June 17, 2021 Meeting

Thursday, June 17, 2021.

6:00 p.m. at Allouez Township Community Building, 388 Bumbletown Road, Allouez.

Guests present: Daniel Yoder, Aaron Waara, Roger Makie, Brian Sickler, Marlene Sickler, and Emmett Bjorn.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Aho.

Roll Call; board members present: Supervisor Aho, Treasurer Newman, Clerk Haataja, Trustee Haataja, and Trustee Kaura.

Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Treasurer Newman, to approve the June 17, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Agenda. All ayes; carried.

Minutes of the May 20, 2021, Regular Meeting were presented. Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Trustee Haataja, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes. All ayes; carried.

Motion by Trustee Kaura, seconded by Supervisor Aho, to accept the **Financial Report** and to approve the following:

BILLS PAID BETWEEN MEETINGS:

General Fund: \$18,453.41; **Sewer Maintenance Fund:** \$7592.84;
Sanitation Fund: \$406.58; **Cemetery Fund:** \$0.00; **Fire Protection Fund:** \$1031.49;
Mohawk Park: \$00.00; **Ahmeek Ice Rink:** \$0.00.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THIS MEETING:

General Fund: \$2739.91; **Sewer Maintenance Fund:** \$6677.80; **Sanitation Fund:** \$0.00;
Cemetery Fund: \$0.00; **Fire Protection Fund:** \$206.83; **Mohawk Park:** \$0.00;
Ahmeek Ice Rink: \$0.00

All ayes; carried.

Motion by Treasurer Newman, seconded by Supervisor Aho, to approve payback to the county to the revolving tax fund in the amount of \$5.11, and to the Michigan Tax Tribunal ruling in the amount of \$45.77. All ayes; carried.

Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Treasurer Newman, to issue a payback to the county, when necessary, in the required timeframe, with mention of it at the next scheduled board meeting. All ayes, carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

Time was allowed for public comment on non-agenda issues.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT: Per Fire Chief, Gary Bracco (via Supervisor Aho), four calls since the last meeting. Fire department was awarded the \$5000 grant from the Portage Foundation. Motion made by Treasurer Newman, seconded by Trustee Kaura, to issue \$180.00 training checks to the firefighters using the firefighters' current roster, and to be paid from the Fire Fund. Roll call vote: Ayes: Trustee Kaura, Supervisor Aho, Trustee Haataja, Treasurer Newman, and Clerk Haataja; Nays: None; motion carried.

MEDICAL FIRST RESPONDERS: Three calls since the last meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS: two youth workers have started.

Sanitation.

1. Two new homeowners coming on as pro-rated yearly customers, per our guidelines: Property#: 101-52-001-009 and Property#: 101-27-403-001, and to bring one renter (Property#: 101-53-012-004) on at a pro-rated yearly, but with a requirement to pay up front, and per our guidelines.
2. **Sanitation rates:** Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Clerk Haataja, to contract with Waste Management for next year April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023, and to charge the following rates: **\$150 seasonal, \$245 yearly, and \$490 double.** The public will be notified via the July newsletter. Roll call vote: Ayes: Treasurer Newman, Trustee Kaura, Supervisor Aho, Trustee Haataja, Clerk Haataja; Nays: None. Motion carried.

OFFICER REPORTS - Treasurer:

A) Newsletters are going out. B) Supervisor Aho and Treasurer Newman met with Superior National Bank (SNB). Wanting to keep our business, they are offering a multi-feed machine for the treasurer to deposit checks. It's a \$700 machine, and they'll buy it for us and waive the monthly fees for using it. Motion by Treasurer Newman, seconded by Supervisor Aho, to work with SNB to set up the machine for remote deposit and to bring deputy treasurer in to train on that. All ayes, carried. C) Interest rates for tiered savings: Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Treasurer Newman to move \$100,000 from tiered savings account into a 36-month CD special. All ayes, carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fire Hall Project:

Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Trustee Kaura, to adopt the **Resolution Authorizing Issuance of 2021 Capital Improvement Bond (Limited Tax General Obligation)** for Township of Allouez. Roll call vote, Ayes: Trustee Kaura, Trustee Haataja, Treasurer Newman, Supervisor Aho, Clerk Haataja; Nays: None. Motion carried. Supervisor Aho declared the resolution adopted.

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Sewer System Project – Emmett Bjorn update: Discovery of the supplemental drain fields in Seneca Location, Mohawk & Fulton. Final report recommends to apply for a USDA RD application to connect nearby drain fields to the supplemental drain fields and update pressurized drain field components; suggested rate increase discussed. More discussion at next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Part-time Public Works – Applications for a part-time public works position will be taken through June 28, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Poverty Exemption Resolution *Amended*: Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Treasurer Newman, to adopt Resolution for Poverty Exemption Resolution # 2021-03-04-01 *Amended*.

Roll call vote, Ayes: Treasurer Newman, Clerk Haataja, Trustee Kaura, Trustee Haataja, Supervisor Aho.

Nays: None. Motion carried. Supervisor Aho declared the resolution adopted.

Banking Account Discussion: Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Treasurer Newman, to transfer Fire Fund to Incredible Bank. All ayes; carried.

Time was allowed for public comment: None

Motion by Supervisor Aho, seconded by Treasurer Newman, to adjourn the meeting. All ayes; carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Trudi Haataja, Clerk

