MEETING OF THE ALLOUEZ TOWNSHIP BOARD

September 15, 2022

Thursday, September 15, 2022

6:00 p.m. at Allouez Township Community Building, Allouez, MI 49805

Guests present: Aaron Waara, Gary Bracco, Emmet Bjorn

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

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Aho.

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

Motion by Treasurer Supervisor Aho, seconded by Treasurer Newman, to approve the August 18, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Agenda. All ayes; carried.

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2nd Treasurer Newman to approve the previous meeting minutes for August 18,2022. Carried; ayes.

Motion by Trustee Kaura, 2nd Trustee Haataja, to accept the Financial Report & Regular Monthly Bills. Carried; ayes.

Bills Paid 8/18/2022 to 9/15/2022 (see Cash Disbursement Journals for details)

Fire: \$5838.62

Sanitation Fund: \$83.86

Sewer Fund: \$ 2278.25

General Fund: \$ 36,527.78

CORRESPONDENCE n/a

Public Comment on Non Agenda Issues: n/a

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Calls: August=6, September to date = 2 Chimney cleaning will being on Monday, September 22, 2022.

Pomasl Pump bill to be paid from restricted fund.

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2nd Clerk Butala to approve up to \$250.00 each for 2 Garmin's for the fire department. Carried; ayes

MEDICAL FIRST RESPONDERS: n/a

PUBLIC WORKS:

Sanitation: n/a

Sewer: n/a

Cemetery Report & Requests:

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2nd Clerk Butala to put notices in post offices to have flowers & decorations at the cemetery to be removed by October 17, 2022 or the township will remove. Carried; ayes.

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2nd Treasurer Newman to rent a lift from Superior rental at \$400 per day up to 3 days for tree removal at the cemetery and parks. Carried;ayes

Parks & Rec Reports & Requests:

Assessor's Report: attached

OFFICER REPORTS –

Supervisor's report:

Supervisor Aho sent a letter of support, requesting \$3000.00 from KORC for the Ahmeek Ice Rink

Clerk's report:

Motion by Supervisor Aho/2nd Treasurer Newman to refund the restricted fire fund from the fire fund in the amount of approximately \$2661.01 for bills that were paid out of the incorrect account. Show of proof at next meeting. Carried; ayes

Motion by Clerk Butala, 2nd by Treasurer Newman to have election help from October 1, 2022 to November 8, 2022 for up to 40 hours at \$10.00 per hour. Carried; ayes

Clerk Butala will have a spread sheet for both bills paid and bills due at the next meeting and continuing.

Clerk Butala will work on a customized policy along with contacting SNB with credit card options for the township.

Treasurer's report:

<u>KSAR</u>

Supervisor Aho will present to the Keweenaw County Board the costs agreed upon by the Allouez Township Board for purchase vs rent of the old maintenance building. Purchase: \$60,000.00 with Allouez Township having the first right of refusal should they sell property/building in the future.

Rent: \$900.00/month + utilities & rental insurance for contents or building and any unnatural damages to the building.

Sewer System Project – Report from Emmett Bjorn received information from Rural Development (Crystal) that funds may become availale to Allouez Twp by the end of the month. Bjorn & Supervisor Aho put together the accounting numbers and submitted to Rural Development today (September 15, 2022)

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Supervisor Aho, 2nd Treasurer Newman to have DPW Aaron Waara sign/approve all time cards with the exception of his own that a board member will sign/approve beginning the next pay period. Carried; ayes

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2nd Trustee Kaura to grant the Veteran's permission to put a permanent wall in their rental office. Carried; ayes

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2nd by Trustee Kaura to spend up to \$150.00 to replace/paint the exterior trim on the ATCB. Carried; ayes

Motion by Clerk Butala, 2nd by Supervisor Aho to contact the township attorney to contact Keweenaw Chevrolet in regards to honoring the purchase agreement made in June for the new township truck. Carried;ayes

Motion by Treasurer Newman, 2nd Trustee Kaura to agree on the maximum levy for the upcoming millage. Carried; ayes

Motion by Clerk Butala, 2nd Supervisor Aho to approve \$10,992.00 (\$7750.00 for the sidewalk and \$3242.00 for level out main area of park, seed and mulch) to Bjorn Contractions. Carried; ayes

Motion by Clerk Butala, 2nd Supervisor Aho to replace carpet in township building at the cost of \$7,722.48 with \$5,107.48 to be paid upfront to Dustin Pindral for the replacement, removal and labor. Carried; ayes

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2^{nd} Trustee Kaura to pay back to fire fund from January 1, 2022 to current for Semco & Uppco bills for closing the old fire hall and it being the new maintenance garage. Carried; ayes

Public Comment n/a

Motion by Supervisor Aho, 2nd Treasurer Newman to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 PM; carried ayes.

Lu Buha clerk