Newfield Township Board

3890 198th Ave.

Hesperia, Michigan 49421

February 23, 2021

Virtual Meeting- 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor, Joan David. A roll call showed John Clark, Joan David, Tami Ballantyne, and Nancy Conley were present. Rick Roberson was absent.

There were no public comments.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of #10 resignation of Mary Jo Uhen our representative on the Hesperia Library Board. John Clark seconded. The motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve the January meeting minutes. John Clark seconded it. The motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to approve paying the bills Check #14051-14078 along with an EFT for \$1,616.00 for a total of \$11,288.82. John Clark seconded it. The motion carried.

Nancy Conley made a motion to move \$824.02 from unallocated to Elections - \$311.24, Zoning \$243.84 and \$268.94 Township hall and grounds. Tami Ballantyne seconded it. The motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne gave her treasurers report as of January 31.2021 with a total deposits for \$18,908.90 with total withdrawals for \$11,275.28 for a total of cash available for \$385,367.81.

Supervisors Report

Correspondence- Letter from the Village of Shelby showing their Master Plan.

No Unfinished Business

New Business-

Joan David made a motion to approve the 2021 Federal Poverty Exemption Guidelines. John Clark seconded it. The motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion with a resolution #2021-001 to increase the Zoning Administrators wages to #12,000.00 per year. John Clark seconded. The motion carried.

Nancy Conley made a motion with a Resolution #2021-002 to increase the hourly wage of the Sexton to \$15.00 per hour. Tami Ballantyne seconded it. The motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion by Resolution 2021-003 to establish a job of Office Assistant at the wage of \$15.00 per hour, hiring Amanda Hunter. This will entail maintaining the Web page, helping with Treasurer and Clerk duties. Joan David seconded it. The motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to adopt the 2021/22 Annual Budget as presented. John Clark seconded it. The motion carried.

Joan David made a motion to pay \$100.00 to the Hazardous waste collection. Tami Ballantyne seconded it. The motion carried.

Joan David made a motion to contact Shelby State Bank to pay off the Loop Road Project as of March 2021. We still owe 2 payments of the original 5 on the loan. This pay off will be a saving for the Township. Tami Ballantyne seconded it. The motion carried.

Tami Ballantyne made a motion to purchase new phones for the Township hall that would include an answering machine. Joan stated in checking on several types of phones we could spend as little as \$90.00 up to \$125.00. Nancy will check and follow up with the purchase. Joan David seconded it. The motion carried.

Joan presented the 3 bids from the Oceana County Road Commission for work to be done in our Township. The first is 186th to Grant Road for ¼ of a mile from the corner to bring in new gravel and upgrade for \$33,841.00. The second is on 200th from Pierce to Baker that the county will pulverize the asphalt and turn it back to gravel. The county feels that this road is beyond repair. They will crush, grade and brine for \$29,071.00. The third is on Hawley from Riverview to 192nd to chip, patch and seal for \$32,500.64. Nancy Conley made a motion to accept and act on all three bids. The three bids would total \$80,941.84 but our cost would be \$65,866.84 if using our match money. Tami Ballantyne seconded it. The motion carried.

Reports

Zoning – Steve Micklin gave his report

Board Discussion- Nancy Conley asked how many people attended the BOR training

. Joan David informed her that Joan, Marlene and Dar attended the virtual training. We will be receiving a bill for the training.

Joan David made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Nancy L. Conley

Newfield Township Clerk