

Newfield Township

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Hesperia, Mi 49421

June 18 ,2024. 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by our Supervisor, Joan David. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Wayne Ferris, Mary Hopkins, Rick Roberson, Joan David, and Nancy Conley.

Joan David made a motion to approve the agenda. Rick Roberson seconded it. The motion carried.

Rick Roberson made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 21, 2024 meeting. Wayne Ferris seconded it. The motion carried.

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

Rick Roberson made a motion seconded by Mary Hopkins to approve the bills as presented, checks number 15375-15412 plus two Efts for a total of \$208,988.42. The motion carried.

Treasurer report: Mary reported deposits of 41,691.03 with 38,190.35 transferred to cover bills for a total cash available \$674,519.48.

Old Business:

Joan David made a motion to approve the proposed contract with Michael Jansma , our IT Coordinator with the following changes: The contract will start on July 1, 2024 and end March 31,2025. For the duties described in the contract he will receive \$300.00 per month and must work a minimum of 3 hours weekly. The motion was seconded by Rick Roberson. A roll call vote was taken: Wayne Ferris- yes, Rick Roberson- yes, Mary Hopkins-yes, Nancy Conley-yes, and Joan David-yes. The motion carried.

New Business:

Wayne Ferris did a review of the proposed Hazardous Mitigation Plan presented to us by Oceana County Board of Commissioners. Joan asked for a motion to accept the proposed plan. Mary Hopkins made a motion to accept the proposed plan, which will confirm us in for the next 4 years. Nancy Conley seconded it. The motion carried.

Nancy Conley made a motion to approve sending Joan to the Up North Summitt Conference for July 23 and 24<sup>th</sup> in Harris. The conference is sponsored by MTA, and will cost \$220.00 for the conference plus housing and mileage. Rick Roberson seconded it. The motion carried.

Joan made a motion to approve sending any Zoning and Planning Commission members to a one day conference in Cadillac. The cost is \$100.00 each. We will approve for 2 people to submit mileage requests. She sent the info to all members and only Don Bostrom has responded to go. The motion was seconded by Rick Roberson. The motion carried.

Joan made a motion to approve any board member attending an MTA training and conference in Gladwin ,Michigan. The conference is July 31<sup>st</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup>. The conference will cover Creating a

Vision, Linking with the Community, and Strategic Planning. The full conference cost is \$250.00. Rick Roberson seconded it. The motion carried.

#### Reports:

MTA- Joan reported an excellent turnout at our hall for the Oceana County MTA meeting in May. Joan has been asked to sit on the Regional State MTA board. That meeting will take place in October. The next meeting of the Oceana County MTA will meet the last Wednesday of July in Pentwater.

Planning Commission- The first draft of our new Master Plan was distributed to the Planning Commission last month. The members are asked to review and give any input to Michael Jansma within the next few weeks. The second draft should be available in August.

Marijuana Enforcer- It was reported that inspections had started and will continue in the coming weeks.

Cemetery- Dennis reported that he had 2 burials. He took care of a water leak. He will be spraying for weeds in the next few days. He also reported he has started repairing old stones that are tipped and addressing the needs.

Zoning – Steve handed out his monthly report. He reported the Clean up day was very successful with the filling of 5 dumpsters. Volunteers were plentiful.

He and Joan will be addressing the next step on several letters that were issued on violations. They will be issuing citations and court actions.

Roads- The county has started the prep work on Buchanan Road. They are currently working on the west end of that road in Ferry township.

Public Comments- During public comments Mike Anderson, Supervisor of Denver Township presented an authorization for Construction from Newaygo County Road Commission. This is concerning a proposed wedge and overlay on Maple Island between 3 Mile Road and 4 Mile Road. The total cost townships share, is \$148,320.00. That would be split between the two townships with each paying half over 2 years. Joan is going to check with Hart to see if they will contribute towards the project.

#### Board Discussion-

Nancy informed the board that ballot were delivered but were printed wrong. So we are waiting for the reprinted ballots to arrive.

Joan would like to thank both Wayne and Mary for stepping up to the plate and taking on the two vacated board positions.

Rick Roberson made a motion to adjourn. Mary Hopkins seconded it. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Newfield Township Clerk

Nancy L. Conley