

SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING March 9, 2021 Via Zoom Video Conference

Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Supervisor Ulsh, Clerk Mongreig, Treasurer Scott, and Trustee Fryling.

Present from Hilton Head, S.C Trustee Stafford

Motion by Fryling with second by Scott to approve the **Agenda** as presented. **Unanimously carried**

Motion by Scott with second by Fryling to approve the **Minutes** of the meeting the February 9, 2021 Regular Meeting. **Unanimously carried.**

Motion by Scott with second by Fryling to approve the List of Bills as presented. Unanimously carried.

Treasurer Scott reported:

Income for month of February 2021 \$ 87,020.10 Expenditures \$ 66,700.71 January 2021 General Fund Balance \$ 438,974.68 February 2021 General Fund Balance \$ 459,332.25

Motion by Mongreig with second by Fryling to approve the **Treasurer's Report** as presented. **Unanimously carried.**

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Citizens Time: Kalamazoo County Commissioner, John Gisler visited the board.

Motion by Scott with second by Mongreig to open the **Public Hearing on the Schoolcraft Township General Appropriations Act, (Budget) for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year. Unanimously carried.**

Motion by Mongreig with second by Scott to close the **Public Hearing on the Schoolcraft Township General Appropriations Act, (Budget) for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year. Unanimously carried.**

Motion by Stafford with second by Mongreig to approved the **Schoolcraft Township General Appropriations Act**, (Budget) for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year. Unanimously carried.

 Copies of the full General Appropriations Act 2021-2022 are available on line or at the Schoolcraft Township Hall

Motion by Ulsh with second by Frying, per the Schoolcraft Township Asset Test as described in State Tax Commission Bulletin 6 of 2017 Schoolcraft Township shall set their **Poverty Guidelines** at \$15,312.00, a 20% increase from 2020. **Unanimously carried.**

Motion by Mongreig with second by Stafford to approve Budget Amendments to the 2020-2021 fiscal year. **Unanimously carried.**

Motion by Mongreig with second by Fryling to direct Supervisor Ulsh to sign the **Agreement Between The County of Kalamazoo by and Through its Health and Community Services Department and it's Environmental Health Division/Household Hazardous Waste Program** which based upon the participation rate of Schoolcraft Township results in \$4,500.00 for 12 months. **Unanimously carried.**

Drew Johnson, South County Community Services recapped/broke down the various food, fuel financial, etc. assistance provided throughout South County in 2020.

Trustee Fryling has forwarded contact information from the Shumaker to begin the process of developing a new website for Schoolcraft Township.

Motion by Fryling with second by Ulsh to approve the renewal policy from EMC Insurance Companies, the Ted Hartleb Agency for one year. **Unanimously carried.**

Motion by Stafford with second by Scott to approve the Cemetery software program proposal from BS&A Software. **Unanimously carried.**

Motion by Mongreig with second by Scott to approve the J. Rettenmaier USA LP request to amend an Industrial Facilities Exemption which was approved in May, 2020. Due to challenges in 2020 J. Rettenmaier USA LP was not able to begin construction and requests moving the abatement period to 12/31/21 to 12/30/33. **Unanimously carried.**

Planning Commission: Trustee Stafford reported the Commission has set 2021-2022 meeting dates and officers. The Planning Commission is still in need of a member from the Zoning Board of Appeals to sit on the Planning Commission.

Swan Park: Ryan LaPorte tendered his resignation from Swan Park as he has taken a position in Houghton, Michigan. **The Park Committee** will submit applications/bids (for the mowing) to the Township Board as soon as they are received. The Park Committee members will continue to work on the different areas/maintenance of Swan Park.

Members Time:

Mongreig noted that the spring clean-up of all Schoolcraft Township cemeteries will be done beginning March 15, 2021, May 2021 Election approaching, and Schoolcraft Township has overseen the pick-up of tires, mattresses and such from roadsides in the Township and would ask that people take responsibility for their refuse.

Treasurer Scott reminded Ryan LaPorte of projects that he was in the middle of. Ryan stated that he will complete those projects; phone system and locks.

Motion by Fryling with second by Stafford to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Township of Schoolcraft