



SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP
December 14, 2021 Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

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

Motion by Scott with second by Stafford to approve the **Agenda** as amended, with the deletion of a.) Kalamazoo County Housing Priorities. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Motion by Fryling with second by Stafford to approve the minutes of the **Regular Meeting** held November 9, 2021. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Motion by Scott with second by Stafford to approve the list of bills. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Treasurer Scott Reported:

Income for the month of November 2021	\$100,600.84
Expenditures	\$158,059.69
October 2021 General Fund Balance	\$394,633.30
November General Fund Balance	\$334,174.45

Motion by Fryling with second by Mongreig to approve the report as presented. **Motion Carried 5-0**

New Business:

Barton Lake Paul Hausler, Senior Scientist, Progressive AE gave summaries of the 2021 Barton Lake Aquatic Plant Control Program Activity, and Barton Lake Water Quality Report. Motion by Fryling with second by Stafford to enter and sign the Progressive AE Agreement for (1) one year at \$10,500.

Motion Carried 5-0

***The 2021 Barton Lake reports can be found on the Schoolcraft Township website under Resources.**

South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority Preliminary Budget Proposal:

Motion by Scott with second by Mongreig to postpone action on the South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority Preliminary Budget Proposal. **Motion carried 5-0**

Depository Plan: Motion by Fryling with second by Ulsh for Treasurer Scott to continue to seek the most "fiscally secure" depository for the funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act.

Treasurer Scott explained that per the American Rescue Plan Calculator for Schoolcraft Township the Township has unrestricted revenue available in the amount of \$76,671.00

Swan Park Concession Stand: Recommendation by Scott for a 50/50 split with Schoolcraft Little League of the revenue from the concession stand sales for 2021.

Motion by Fryling with second by Stafford to notify Schoolcraft Little League and Vicksburg Lacrosse that it is the desire of Schoolcraft Township that the Little League and Lacrosse organizations take over all concession operations through a lease agreement to be created prior to the 2022 season.

Motion carried 5-0

Private Road: Motion by Ulsh with second by Stafford to approve the recommendation of the Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission for a private road, Raelynne Ln., at 12445 North Highway 131, parcel# 3914-07-255-020. **Motion carried 5-0**

Old Business:

Telephone System Update: Motion by Scott with second by Stafford to purchase the new office phones outright for \$3,200.00 using American Rescue Plan Act funds.

Roll Call Vote: Fryling –yes, Stafford –yes, Scott-yes, Mongreig-yes, and Ulsh-yes. **Motion carried 5-0**

P.A. System: Motion by Fryling with second by Stafford to purchase a public address system at a cost of \$730.08. **Roll Call Vote:** Fryling –yes, Stafford –yes, Scott-yes, Mongreig-yes, and Ulsh-yes. **Motion carried 5-0**

Planning Commission Report: Trustee Stafford reported:

Approval of JRS Rettenmaier Site Plan for office expansion and new warehouse.

Recommendation to Schoolcraft Township Board to approve the private road off of US 131.

South County Sewer & Water Authority: Supervisor Ulsh has been in discussions with Frank LaPierre, Executive Director of South County Sewer & Water Authority. Mr. LaPierre has informed Supervisor Ulsh that the percentage of parcel area approval for the petition to construct sanitary sewer improvements and to create a special assessment district on Barton Lake represents 52%+ of the land area.

Swan Park Report: Mongreig reported the continuation of tree planting at Swan Park. The Park Committee will meet to discuss a new fee structure for clubs/teams who wish to lease park space. Many ideas for additional uses of the park are being considered.

Members Time:

Mongreig: Informed the board of the possibility of another precinct change due to the redistricting and number of voters allowed in each precinct.

Scott: The recent closing of a Commercial business holding an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate agreement in the Village of Schoolcraft has left not only the Village devoid of reimbursement of agreed upon taxes for 6 years, but Schoolcraft Township and other entities included. Treasurer Scott would like to see future Industrial Tax Facilities Certificates include notification to all entities giving tax relief to a business the ability to recoup those dollars.

Supervisor Ulsh and Trustee Fryling met with the Road Commission of Kalamazoo to review 2022 projects for Schoolcraft Township.

Supervisor Ulsh asked members to check their calendars so that 2022-2023 budget workshops can be scheduled.

Meeting adjourned 7:40 p.m.


Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk
Township of Schoolcraft