

# SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP October 11, 2022 Call to Order: 6:00 p.m. Including Zoom

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

Motion by Fryling with second by Stafford to approve the **Agenda** as presented. **Motion Carried 5-0**Motion by Fryling with second Scott to approve minutes **Regular Meeting September 13, 2022. Motion Carried 5-0** 

Motion by Fryling with second by Ulsh to approve minutes of the October 4, 2022 Special Meeting. Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by Fryling with second Scott to approve List of Bills. Motion Carried 5-0

## Treasurer Scott Reported:

Income September 2022	\$162,239.96
Expenditures	\$138,062.32
Balance August 2022	\$352,363.34
Balance September 2022	\$417,452.17
Total ARPA Funds	\$500,117.21

Motion by Mongreig second by Stafford to approve as presented. Motion Carried 5-0

## **Public Comment:**

Kalamazoo County Commissioner John Gisler:

The County of Kalamazoo is nearing finalizing their 2022-2023 budget of approximately \$262,000,000.00 with \$120,000,000.00 from taxes and \$142,000,000.00 from Revenue Sharing and grants.

Work has stalled on the new Justice Facility due to supply issues.

New Corporate Attorney has been hired into Kalamazoo County.

Plaza Corp. is allowing the County to occupy the current count house rent free for three or four months.

#### **New Business:**

### Barton Lake Special Assessment District Public Hearing

Motion by Scott with second by Fryling to open the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m. **Motion Carried 5-0**Brad Sadowski, representative from the Barton Lake Association reported no correspondence from constituents regarding the information distributed to them. Treasurer Scott and Clerk Mongreig reported that they have not received correspondence from property owners.

Motion by Mongreig with second by Stafford to close the Public Hearing.

Motion by Scott with second by Mongreig to approve the RESOLUTION CONFIRMING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR BARTON LAKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT (2023-2027) AND PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

Roll call Vote: Stafford – y, Fryling – y, Mongreig – y, Scott – y, and Ulsh – y Motion Carried 5-0

Master Plan Update: Motion by Ulsh with second by Stafford to accept the Proposal for the Schoolcraft Master Plan Update by Southcentral Michigan Planning Council at a cost of \$10,000.00. Roll call Vote: Stafford -y, Fryling -y, Mongreig -y, Scott -y, and Ulsh -y Motion Carried 5-0

**Township Newsletter:** The Board members will be working on their individual columns for an upcoming newsletter, which will include a constituent survey for thoughts on where the American Rescue Plan Act funds would be most effectively distributed throughout the township.

**South County Community Services:** Motion by Scott with second by Ulsh to issue Schoolcraft Township's annual contribution of \$12,000.00. **Motion Carried 5-0** 

**Planning Commission:** Stafford reported that the Planning Commission approved a site plan for a commercial use building at 11609 South Shaver Road, and that the Commission will soon be reviewing short term rentals. Clerk Mongreig added that due to a publishing error by the Kalamazoo Gazette, the Planning Commission will revisit a September 12, 2022 rezoning request on November 7, 2022.

**Swan Park Report:** Mongreig reported that the Township has struggled since the departure of our Parks Engineer. There are many issues throughout the year that have been addressed by the generosity of Eric and Nick Jasiak. The Township along with the Swan Park Committee will be reviewing the position to be filled.

**South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority:** Member Fryling reported that the Authority is considering the purchase of a used Pierce Manufacturing Company fire truck, for \$200,000.00 from Richland Township.

**South County Sewer & Water Authority:** Supervisor Ulsh referred the Board to the September 30, 2022 status report on the St. Joe County and South County Sewer & Water Authority Infrastructure Collaboration Project.

## Members Time:

Treasurer Scott reported that South Central Michigan Construction Code Inspections, (SCMCCI), is hiring new blight, and inspection officials. SCMCCI is also considering implementing BS&A Software Company for the application process.

Trustee Fryling has reviewed the road projects with the Kalamazoo County Road Commission. He is also attending Michigan Townships Association conferences on grant writing and broadband.

Clerk Mongreig reported on a recent FOIA request and that the Township has requested, and been granted an extension, due to the volumes of information.

Inspectors have been trained and hired for the November 8, 2022 Gubernatorial Election.

Supervisor Ulsh has given permission to the Schoolcraft Historical Society to use parts of the cedar post fencing that is being replaced around Swan Park.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 P.M.