

SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP December 13, 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 Scott to approve the **Agenda** with the addition of New Business g.) Township Cleaning Service. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Motion by Fryling with second by Stafford to approve minutes **Regular Meeting November 15, 2022. Motion Carried 5-0.**

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

Treasurer Scott Reported:

Income November 2022	\$115,795.73
Expenditures	\$ 78,518.21
Balance October 2022	\$326,389.06
Balance November 2022	\$363,666.58
Total ARPA Funds	\$501,117.21

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

Public Comment:

In the absence of Kalamazoo County Commissioner, John Gisler, Supervisor Ulsh reported on the recent disorder at the Kalamazoo County Treasurers Office where a \$905,531.25 bond payment for the Kalamazoo County Justice Facility was paid irregularly later than usual but within the due date. The County has hired a CPA to bring the treasurer's office in line.

Dirk VanKrimpen of 315 North Main Street in the Village of Vicksburg asked Schoolcraft Township to assist in the costs of the weed eradication treatments at Sunset Lake.

New Business:

- **a.)** Motion by Fryling with second by Scott to approve Supervisor Ulsh's signed letter of support from Schoolcraft Township joining in along with number a number of townships and cities in Kalamazoo County, "Making Cities Healthier Places for Birds and People". Motion Carried 5-0
- b.) South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority: Motion by Fryling with second by Ulsh to approve the South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority 2023-2024 Proposed Budget.
- Roll Call Vote Stafford -y, Ulsh -y, Fryling -y, Scott -y, and Mongreig -y. Motion carried.
- c.) Approve New South County Sewer & Water Authority No Action

d.) South County Sewer & Water Authority: Motion by Mongreig with second by Fryling to approve the foregoing Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation of South County Sewer and Water Authority. In all other respects the Articles of Incorporation of South County Sewer and Water Authority remain unchanged.

Article II – "Constituent Municipalities" the Townships of Brady, Pavilion, and Schoolcraft.

Article XXI "Associate Members (requested from the municipality, and authorized by the Authority), are the villages of Schoolcraft and Vicksburg.

Roll Call Vote Stafford – y, Ulsh – y, Fryling – y, Scott –y, and Mongreig –y. Motion carried.

- **e.)** Motion by Scott with second by Stafford to authorizing Supervisor Ulsh to correspond, on behalf of Schoolcraft Township, to **Postmaster General DeJoy** requesting suspension of the implementation of the sorting and delivery initiative/facility consolidation or realignment. **Motion carried 5-0**
- **f.) Township Park:** The board reviewed a neighboring Park Director Job Description and will be seeking a new director.
- g.) The township is in need of a cleaning company/individual. Trustee Stafford will begin the search.

Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appels did not meet in December 2022 due to lack of agenda items. See above for

Swan Park Report: New fencing to begin soon.

SKCFA Report: Member Fryling reported the \$65,000 purchase of a 2002 used tanker and allocation of \$10,000.00 to put the tanker in service. The proposed 2023-24 monthly service payment from Schoolcraft Township is down \$246.34 from last year. Schoolcraft Township will pay \$16,479.01 monthly in the coming year. Mongreig asked Trustee Fryling about the Fire Authority filing claims with insurance companies to cover costs for emergency calls on US 131 that are not township residents.

Members Time:

Supervisor Ulsh informed the board that Pavilion and Brady Townships are taking into consideration becoming charter townships.

The Board set 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 11, 2023 as the first budget workshop for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 p.m.

Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk