



SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP
March 28, 2023
Call to Order: 6:00 p.m. Including Zoom

Members Present: Supervisor Ulsh, Clerk Mongreig, Treasurer Scott, Trustee Stafford, and Trustee Fryling.
Motion by Fryling with second by Scott to approve the **Agenda** with the following additions:

New Business p.) Financial Institutes

q.) Vicksburg District Library Directors

r.) Richardson Family Private Road

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Stafford with second by Scott to approve minutes **Regular Meeting** February 14, 2023. **Motion Carried 5-0.**

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

Treasurer Scott Reported:

Income February 2023	\$232,271.32
Expenditures	\$ 58,617.96
Balance January 31, 2023	\$447,587.59
Balance February 28, 2023	\$621,260.95
Total ARPA Funds	\$500,117.21

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

Public Comments:

John Kiel of 400 U Avenue stated that Schoolcraft Township has not helped him in his land/border issues with the Hambright family who stole his property.

Kalamazoo County Commissioner Wendy Mazer, 8th District, reported the announcement of the new Kalamazoo Event Center.

New Business:

Motion by Scott with second by second by Fryling to approve the **2023-24 Insurance Coverage Renewal with the Ted Hartleb Agency** with an annual renewal premium of \$15,347.00.

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

Motion by Mongreig with second by Fryling to approve the following **Budget Amendments** from General Fund #101.000.001.

Amendment #1 - 3282023	\$5,000.00 101.262.702.000 Election Wages
Amendment #2 - 3282023	\$5,000.00 101.372.702.000 Compliance
Amendment #3 - 3282023	\$2,000.00 101-448.920.160 Street Lights
Amendment #4 - 3282023	\$10,000.00 101.272.727.000 Admin Supplies
Amendment #5 - 3282023	\$10,000.00 101.536.960.000 Water and Sewer System
Amendment #6 - 3282023	\$25,000.00 101.567.970.000 Cemetery Capital Outlay
Amendment #7 - 3282023	\$3,000.00 101.336.801.000 Fire Protection

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

Motion by Mongreig with second by Stafford to approve Supervisor Ulsh's recommendation to reappoint **Planning Commission Member**, Eric Jasiak to a three (3) year term effective June 1, 2023. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Cost Recovery Ordinance: The board discussed the implementation of a Cost Recovery Ordinance. The Cost Recovery Ordinance would finance/partially finance certain types of fire or emergency services within Schoolcraft Township and surrounding townships. Trustee Fryling will be in further discussions with South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority.

2023 Poverty Guidelines: Motion by Ulsh with second by Mongreig that Schoolcraft Township shall set the 2023 Poverty Guidelines at \$16,308.00. **Roll Call Vote:** Stafford-yes, Mongreig-yes, Ulsh-yes, Scott-yes, Fryling-yes. **Motion Carried 5-0**

General Appropriations Act: Motion by Mongreig with second by Fryling to open the **Public Hearing** on the **General Appropriations Act for the year ending March 31, 2024.** **Motion Carried 5-0**

Hearing no comments the **Public Hearing** on the **General Appropriations Act for the year ending March 31, 2024.** **Motion Carried 5-0.**

Motion by Ulsh with second by Stafford to adopt the **Schoolcraft Township General Appropriations Act Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2024.** **Roll Call Vote:** Stafford-yes, Mongreig-yes, Ulsh-yes, Scott-yes, Fryling-yes. **Motion Carried 5-0**

***Copies of the full General Appropriations Act for the year ending March 31, 2024 are available at Schoolcraft Township Hall and on line at schoolcrafttownshipmi.gov.**

Vicksburg Mausoleum: Clerk Mongreig reviewed failures to the structure, including a marker falling off of a crypt of the mausoleum. Mongreig has been in discussions with a local funeral director and monument company. **Motion** by Ulsh with second by Fryling to accept the bid of \$2,490.00 from Schoolcraft Monument Company in Schoolcraft to repair the fallen marker. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Legal Noticing Costs: The Board discussed cost effective options for publication of legal notices as the Kalamazoo Gazette charges have dramatically increased in the past few years.

Charter Township: The Board shared thoughts of becoming a Charter Township. No decisions have been made.

Kalamazoo County Road Commission 2023 Road Projects: Motion by Stafford with second by Fryling to approve the bids from the **Kalamazoo County Road Commission** in the amount of \$479,000.00, which includes \$337,000 funding from Schoolcraft Township. **Roll Call Vote:** Stafford-yes, Mongreig-yes, Ulsh-yes, Scott-yes, Fryling-yes. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Siegfried Crandall will be in the Schoolcraft Township offices May 24 and 25, 2023 to perform the Annual Audit.

Motion by Fryling with second by Mongreig to hire Gary Nofsinger/The Wood Shaper to repair the columns at the front of the township hall building which were destroyed by bees. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Motion by Ulsh with second by Mongreig authorizing Treasurer Scott up to \$1,000.00 for the purchase of a currency counter/counterfeit detecting machine. **Roll Call Vote:** Stafford-yes, Mongreig-yes, Ulsh-yes, Scott-yes, Fryling-yes. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Motion by Ulsh with second by Fryling to approve the list of **Financial Institutions** amended to include Kalsee Credit Union. **Roll Call Vote:** Stafford-yes, Mongreig-yes, Ulsh-yes, Scott-yes, Fryling-yes. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Motion by Ulsh with second by Stafford to approve the **Vicksburg District Library re-appointments** of Dr. Lloyd Appel and David Aubry.

Motion by Stafford with second by Mongreig to approve the **Schoolcraft Township Planning Commission** recommendation for a private road subject to the road being officially named and other private road requirements being made. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Planning Commission: Stafford reported on the private road recommendation above, and a **Site Plan approval on US 131.** The Planning Commission also discussed their upcoming survey for the Schoolcraft Township **Master Plan.**

Swan Park Report: Motion by Fryling with second by Ulsh to renew Kalamazoo Personal Touch Swan Park mowing contract at a %10 reduction from 2022. **Motion Carried 5-0**

Motion by Scott with second by Ulsh to allow up to \$2,500.00 for Clerk Mongreig to make the purchase of an AED for the township hall. **Motion Carried 5-0**

South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority: Trustee Fryling reported on the following:

Fire Authority By-Laws regarding alternate members.

Cost Recovery Resolution.

Fire Truck price has risen to \$850,000.00.

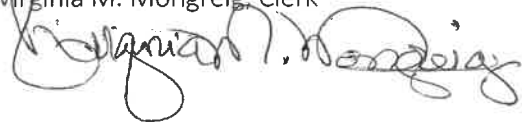
Discrepancies in the South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority budget.

Members Time:

Treasurer Scott asked for was approved to obtain assistance in the production of the Schoolcraft Township upcoming newsletter, a new employee at SCMCCI, and acceptance of positive pay consideration.

Meeting Adjourned 8:35 P.M.

Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Virginia M. Mongreig", written over the printed name of the clerk.