



September 14, 2023    **via Zoom Video Conference**

Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.

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 addition of New Business g.)Cost Recovery Ordinance. Unanimously carried.**

Motion by Fryling with second by Scott to approve the **Minutes** of the meeting held August 8, 2023. **Unanimously carried.**

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

**Treasurer Scott reported:**

Income for month of August 2023	\$ 39,954.35
Expenditures	\$ 116,899.64
Balance July 31, 2023	\$ 630,810.35
Balance August 8 31, 2023	\$ 553,865.06
Total ARPA Funds	\$ 500,117.21

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

**New Business:**

Motion by Fryling with second by Scott to approve the 2022-2023 **South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority Draft Audit**. Fryling stated that new fire truck payoff will be complete in 3 years.

**Roll Call Vote:** Fryling – yes, Scott – yes, Ulsh –yes, Mongreig – yes, and Stafford – yes. **Unanimously carried.**

**American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding:** The board will consider the following: (in no particular order)

Recover Schoolcraft Township revenues lost during Covid 19

Grant Distribution

Water and Sewer Grant

Roads

Equipment/software/cybersecurity/improve website and systems access

Digital Signage

The board heard a request from the **Schoolcraft Historical Society** for \$10,000.00 in funding of ARPA funds. Supervisor Ulsh asked that the representatives return with documentation of their losses incurred due to Covid-19.

**Ordinance NO. 284** Motion by Stafford with second by Mongreig to amend Zoning District Map ("Zoning Map") of the Schoolcraft Township Ordinance to change R-3 Medium Density Residential and LC Local Commercial and indication as shown on the Zoning Map for the following real property:

13432 Portage Road and Unaddressed VW Avenue  
(Parcel Nos: 14-15-280-110 and 114-15-280-181)

to LC Local Commercial in its entirety. Corresponding LC regulations and land uses are hereby established for the above-described property.

**Roll Call Vote:** Fryling – yes, Scott – yes, Ulsh –yes, Mongreig – yes, and Stafford – yes.

**Unanimously carried.**

**Troy Faulk of Schoolcraft Little League** updated the board on recent and upcoming projects, costs required, and a generous donation from the family of a former Schoolcraft ball player which will result in the naming of a field after their son. The Little League asked for continued support from Schoolcraft Township through their five-year field completion projects.

Troy Faulk is in discussions with Vicksburg Rocket Football for a home field at Swan Park.

**Cost Recovery Ordinance:** Schoolcraft Township has considered over the years a Cost Recovery Ordinance which would enable recovery of funds incurred due to accidents in the U.S. 131 corridor. Supervisor Ulsh will speak with neighboring townships who are members of South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority regarding their interest in the recovery process.

**Planning Commission: See Ordinance #284 above.**

**South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority: See above - Audit approved**

Trustee Fryling informed the board that a \$60,000 grant was approved for miscellaneous fire protection gear. The board is grateful to Vicksburg Village Manager, Jim Mallery for his assistance in processing the grant.

**Members Time:**

Treasurer Scott:	Reported on a complaint on the condition of U Avenue More to come in October on the IT project
Clerk Mongreig:	Looking into a way to help residents with leave pick up New gutters coming in October. Anonymous donors leaving money in their will for the Vicksburg Cemetery
Supervisor Ulsh:	Business magazine from Detroit shows interest in Schoolcraft Township Schoolcraft Township Charter Township discussions Kalamazoo County Road Commission will be putting a round-about in at East TU Avenue and South 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street.
Trustee Stafford:	Reminder on bids for next fiscal year. Harvest Festival is Sunday, October 24, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

  
Virginia M. Mongreig, Clerk  
Township of Schoolcraft