

Marysville Township
Monthly Board Meeting
Monday November 27th, 2023

Meeting: The meeting was called to order by Chair Joe Hickman at 7:00 PM. Members present Joe Hickman Chair, Andrew Hirsch Vice Chair, Bill Uter Supervisor, Debbie Uecker Clerk-Treasurer, Ron Boehlke Road Maintenance and 15 others.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Meeting Minutes: A motion to accept the October 27th, 2023, Monthly Meeting Minutes was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter and carried 3-0.

Treasurers Report: The beginning balance for November 2023 is \$335,710.10 receipts of \$7,557.14, expenses of \$69,316.66 and ending balance of \$27,3950.58. A motion to accept the Treasurers report was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter and carried 3-0.

Old Business:

1) Debbie Uecker and Ron Boehlke asked for clarification on the list of mailbox structures. Andrew Hirsch wanted a design plan and cost. Ron Boehlke has a design idea and the Township has very few clusters of mailboxes, this will be on a case-by-case basis for residents.

2) The City of Montrose is asking the Township Board to pass resolution for support of the application for LRIP funds for Clementa Ave. The city states they will asphalt Clementa Ave between Co Rd 12 to Co Rd 107 at no cost to the Township. The city will have no authority on the Township Road. After board discussion the following changes will be made to the resolution to add the following.

- The city will only have a walking path within the city limits.
- No cost will be incurred by the Township.
- The city will maintain the asphalt for future maintenance, the Township will only snowplow and the Township will remain the road authority over the Township Road.

Discussion on reaching out to our Township Attorney to have him review the resolution and edit where appropriate. A motion was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter to give authority to Joe Hickman to sign the resolution once the Town Attorney has reviewed or edited the resolution; and to pass the final resolution #2023-09 in support of the LRIP application and carried 3-0.

3) 60th Street failed culvert was discussed, along with grant funds Wright County has available. Bill Uter wants to get a bid on the culvert project. Andrew Hirsch will check with our County Commissioner to see if the grant restriction can be removed, and he will also talk with Gene Janikula of Woodland Township. Ron Boehlke will get bids going on the project.

New Business:

1) Lori Cocking was present to discuss grant funding for broadband grant. Elizabeth Karels with Wright County reach out and is looking for a letter of Township letter of support for Charter's broadband grant application. A motion was made by Joe Hickman, 2nd by Andrew Hirsch to write a letter of support for Charter's application into the broadband grant and carried 3-0.

2) A motion was made by Joe Hickman, 2nd by Andrew Hirsch to pay for the special assessment fee out of the general funds and not increase the special assessments and carried 3-0.

3) Letter of Engagement from Clifton Larson Allen for the 2023 audit has been received. A motion to accept the terms of the Engagement was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd Bill Uter and carried 3-0.

4) A motion was made by Joe Hickman, 2nd by Andrew Hirsch to make an extra loan payment to the USDA for \$15,160 on the Town Hall building debt and carried 3-0.

5) Maintenance Ron Boehlke: will grade, groom, clean ditch on 15th Street, haul rock, hauled gravel on Estes, 20th Street, 55th Street, Cushing & 22nd Street, sign work, boom mower, mow ditches & stockpiled gravel.

Next Month: haul rock, cut brush, maintain equipment, snow plow.

Equipment Issues: none.

Bill Uter compliments the nice job on the boom mower.

Fred Bonk brought up his concerns over our aging trucks; he stated that “we as residents” rely on the township trucks to snowplow, gravel hauling and as a resident is not afraid if we need to raise the levy to work on a truck replacement plan. He has asked Perry Marquette with the City of Buffalo to come to the meeting and Augie Riebel asked Brian Jans of Wright County Highway department to the meeting to discuss trucks with def in them. Both said in the beginning trucks that had def in them had many issues, but that is not the case anymore. The current Township trucks are a 1995 Ford and a 2002 Sterling.

Andrew Hirsch is concerned that we cannot afford \$600K for new trucks and is not in favor of raising the levy. Joe Hickman is not interested in dumping a Township Truck that only has 147K miles on it. Bill Uter is in favor of replacement of a truck as we use them. Discussions on many assorted styles of trucks. Currently the Township still has ARPA funds that need to be earmarked by 12.31.2024. Additional discussion on the Township trucks. Fred Bonk thanked the board for listening to his concern.

Upcoming Events:

December 18th, 2023 – Monthly Meeting 7pm, Town Hall

A motion to approve payroll/claims check numbers 12700 – 12717, EFT 11-2023, 11-2023-1 totaling \$69,316.66 was made by Andrew Hirsch, 2nd by Bill Uter and carried 3-0.

There being no other business to be brought before the Town Board, the monthly meeting was adjourned by Joe Hickman at 8:30 p.m.

Prepared by: _____ Date _____
Debbie Uecker, Clerk/Treasurer

Board Signature: _____ Date _____
Chair

Vice – Chair

Supervisor

Date Filed: _____