

## FLORENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

January 15, 2024

Supervisor, Tim Carls called the meeting in the Florence Township Hall to order at 7:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all. Other board members present were Janice Jones, Kayla Miller, Don Schrock, and Ben Russell. Others present were Paul Osthoff, Tonya Ziehm, Maxine Nelson, & Janet Suhonen.

The December 18<sup>th</sup> minutes were read and approved with a motion from Don and a second by Janice. Motion was approved by all.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

The treasurer's report showed a General Account balance of \$60,298.28; CDs totaling \$306,962.98; Florence Fire Fund CDs Total \$69,221.68; a tax account of \$415,334.21; ARPA Funds of \$110,228.93; and income of \$8,285.80. Ben made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Don seconded the motion. Motion was approved by all.

### PAYMENT OF BILLS

After an amendment to the budget, Ben made a motion and Don seconded a motion to pay the monthly bills in the amount of \$7,436.29. Motion was approved by all.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS

Don reviewed the Fire Report. Florence Township had three safety calls this month. There is a Fire Advisory meeting coming up. Don handed out the 2024 meeting times and dates for the St. Joseph Ambulance Consortium.

Public notices were sent to neighbors concerning Larry Miller's land split. Roger and Paul worked to put together a public notice. Kayla emailed the public notice to the Sturgis Journal to be published January 19, 2024.

Paul received Connie Steffel's new address application. It was approved and should be completed soon.

### OLD BUSINESS

Janis Jones, previous Florence Township treasurer, passed away. Janice Jones will send a card.

Jay Fisher installed the drop box. Kayla will look for a cover for the drop box. He also noticed that part of the township hall's roof above the air conditioner needs repairs. Tim asked about updating the outside building, roof, and door. For the township building, we discussed adding a window exit or another door.

There was discussion on PA 116s and P 260s.

Road Commission sent thanks for signing the 2024 contract.

The stove has not been taken yet. Kayla will put a sign on the stove during the February election to see if anyone wants it.

## NEW BUSINESS

Janice included copies of the 1099 and W2s with the paychecks. They were e-filed through Blum Accounting.

Kayla will look for a cleaning service to clean the township hall.

Tim appointed Maxine Nelson as deputy clerk.

There was discussion about the tabulator cost.

Kayla will contact Tri- Township to locate the signed contract. Kayla will contact Constantine Fire department to possibly schedule a meeting to update the contract, as suggested by Lori Burton.

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Janet mentioned that the display case outside the door lets in moisture and makes reading the inside materials hard to read.

## ADJOURNMENT

Ben and Don made a motion and a second to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:17p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla Miller, Clerk