

NEWARK TOWNSHIP HALL

DATE OF MEETING JANUARY 8, 2024

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Becky Roslund. Board members present were: Becky Roslund, Tessa Zuker, Tamey Skinner, Chris Bovee & Tyler Moomey.

Guests were Steve Sopocy, County Commissioner

Mr Sopocy gave us information about the ARPA funds. Projects are getting completed. Funds may be available toward end of deadline. Requests can be made to the County if funds are available. He discussed the Pine River Water Shed also.

Minutes by Clerk Tamey Skinner for December 11, 2023 meeting were sent to Board members. Chris Bovee made motion to accept minutes. Tyler Moomey seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report – Ending balance for December 29, 2023 was \$178,017.01. Tessa Zuker emailed a list of bills to be paid for January 2024. Tessa Zuker made a motion that bills be paid. Motion seconded by Tyler Moomey. Motion carried.

Balance Transfers – Transfer \$550.00 from #446730 Road/ Bridges to Clerk Expenses #215734 \$550.00. Transfer \$800.00 from #446730 Road/Bridges to Treasurer Expenses #253734 \$800.00. Transfer \$500.00 from #446730 Road/Bridges to Twp Cleaning Supplies #265732 \$500.00. Transfer \$975.00 from #446730 Road/Bridges to #265733 Twp Hall Supplies. Transfer \$1950.00 from #446730 Road/Bridge to #262739 Election Expenses \$1950.00. Motion by Tessa Zuker to accept all the Balance Transfer for December bills. Chris Bovee seconded. Motion carried.

Land Combination – Dale & Dalyn Ensz want to combine the following parcels. #2908-013-005-75 1.61 acres, 2908-013-005-03 57.85 acres, & 2908-013-005-30 3.7 acres. All will be put into PA116. Tyler Moomey made a motion to combine all parcels, Chris Bovee seconded. Motion carried.

Board of Review – Newark will host Review Boards the 2nd week of March. Becky Roslund is in charge.

Resolutions – Poverty Exemption Guidelines 2024-1, Partial Poverty Exemption Guidelines 2024-2, Granting & Removing Real Property Exemptions 2024-3, Resolution to Adopt Alternate Dates for March 2024, July 2024, & December 2024 Board of Review 2024-4, Resolution to Adopt Taxpayers to Protest in Writing by Letter or Email for Board of Review 2024-5. Tyler Moomey made a motion to accept the 2024 Resolutions for Newark Township. Chris Bovee seconded. Motion carried.

Tamey Skinner did comparisons of what the cemeteries in Gratiot County charge for Plot Purchases. It was agreed that \$400 per cemetery plot will be charged starting February 1, 2024.

Tessa Zuker made a motion to increase cemetery plot charges to \$400 per plot, Chris Bovee seconded. Motion carried.

Hall Rental Fee – We will leave the \$50 rent fee and \$50 deposit (to be reimbursed after inspection) for Newark residents and \$100 rent fee and \$100 deposit (to be reimbursed after inspection) for non residents of Newark Township.

BS & A – Discussion on purchasing the BS & A Software. Board decided to go ahead with this to take the place of the Quickbooks program we now have. Tessa Zuker & Tamey Skinner will take BS & A Training class from Melissa in April. Tessa Zuker made a motion to purchase the BS & A software in the Cloud. Tyler Moomey seconded. Motion carried. Tessa Zuker signed contract to get things started.

Drain Payment – Discussion on how much to pay on the drains. Board decided to pay the balance that is due now.

The Board reviewed the 2024 Budget. Discussion took place on increasing some line items due to 3 Elections in 2024 and other changes for Roads & Drains.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Tamey Skinner, Clerk