Chase Township Regular Monthly Meeting January 18, 2022

Board Members

Ken Pollaski- Supervisor Amy Patterson- Clerk Phil Lodholtz- Trustee

Janel Eichenberg- Treasurer Joyce Beach- Trustee

Meeting Called To Order

Supervisor Ken Pollaski brought the Chase Township Board meeting to order at 7:30pm. Roll call shows Ken Pollaski, Amy Patterson, and Joyce Beach, Phil Lodholtz, Janel Eichenberg present.

Approval of Minutes

Joyce Beach moved to approve the December 21, 2021 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Phil Lodholtz. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report

General Account

Beginning balance December 2021 was \$242,887.33. Income received \$66,491.11. Expenses \$7,918.78. Leaving a balance of \$301,459.66.

Library Account

Beginning balance for December 2021 was \$80,160.45 Income received \$158.17. Expenses \$2,281.71. Leaving a balance of \$78,036.91.

Tax Account

Beginning balance for December 2021 was \$1,011.05. Income received \$226,495.41. Expenses \$75,863.08. Leaving a balance of \$151,643.38.

Clerks Report

Bills presented for approval:

Township Bills in the amount of \$11,302.99

Library bills \$3,796.61 were approved by the library board.

Phil Lodholtz made a motion to pay bills. Joyce Beach seconded.

Ken Yes, Amy Yes, Joyce Yes, Janel Yes, and Phil Yes. Motion passed.

Brief Public Comment

Speakers/Guests:

Howard Lodholtz Commissioner- Updated what the county commissioners were working on. Need people for county library board. ORV changes may open up Broadway to N37 and then from village M37 to county line, all changes are pending approval.

Sheriff Rich Martin- Updates about calls within the county. There is a new animal control officer and resource officer. Coffee with the sheriff at Northern Exposure to reach public. Still doing the can drive and have given recently to Lincoln township fire department to help purchase ice rescue equipment.

New Business:

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Township website- Brooks Elite Contracting gave the township a proposal for a township website to meet the new requirements by the state for assessing. Will be able to show hall rental, tax payments, notices, ordinances, minutes, newsletters, voting information etc.

Amy Patterson made a motion to accept the proposal from Brooks Elite Contracting to build and maintain the townships website in the amount of \$2,318.00 including the first month maintenance fee, then \$119.00 per month maintenance fee. Seconded by Janel Eichenberg. Motion passed unanimously.

Library- Janel gave a library update that there was an issue regarding a posting for a substitute for when the librarian is sick, on vacation, etc. Roxane did not post the ad until she was contacted and told again to do so. She did not want to post the ad as she felt her job was threatened. The library board is considering an assistant to help catalogue books as this has been asked to be worked on for many years and no progress has been made. Cheryl from the Mid-Michigan offered to come and help answer questions. Library board is still having trouble keeping board members and many have resigned.

Old Business

Marijuana facilities- Greg Mick came to meeting and wanted to discuss licensing fees, since this matter was already turned over to attorneys they will have to give an answer. Also he wanted to know if the township would allow a dispensary, the township declined.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - Part of the awarded money has come in and the board discussed projects they would like to get done that add value to the township and address concerns from residents. So far the projects that have been discussed are:

- *Generator for township hall to create a place for people during power outages
- *Replace the old garage building roof and start a recycle center/ dumpster for garbage
- *Address humidity issue at hall with possible dehumidifier/hvac/foundation
- *Repair well at cemetery and move building

Citizens Time

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting by Ken Pollaski, seconded by Phil Lodholtz. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 9:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Amy Patterson Chase Township Clerk