

Chase Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
June 21, 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 7:31pm. Roll call shows Ken Pollaski, Amy Patterson, Joyce Beach, Phil Lodholtz and Janel Eichenberg present.

Approval of Minutes

Phil Lodholtz moved to approve the May 17, 2022 regular meeting minutes. Seconded by Joyce Beach. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report

General Account

Beginning balance May 2022 was \$339,727.69. Income received \$24,846.59. Expenses \$19,658.15. Leaving a balance of \$344,916.13.

Library Account

Beginning balance for May 2022 was \$65,579.67 Income received \$121.75. Expenses \$1,844.54. Leaving a balance of \$63,856.88.

Tax Account

Beginning balance for May 2022 was \$1,041.25. Income received \$5,008.53. Expenses \$5,049.68. Leaving a balance of \$1,000.10.

Clerks Report

Bills presented for approval:

Township Bills in the amount of \$23,065.35

Library bills \$2,511.67 were approved by the library board.

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

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

Brief Public Comment

Speakers/Guests:

Jeff Stein- Reed City Fire Department received occupancy approval for the portion of the department that was damaged by the fire. The pickup replacement should be arriving and outfitted soon. Jeff received grants in the amounts of \$12,500 from Trans Canada for new radios. \$60,000 from The Par Plan for 16 full sets of turn out gear. \$2600 from Cargill for an extractor washing machine. \$1000 from Sheriff Rich Martins pop can drive for jackets to use on scene with logos to identify the crew.

Howard Lodholtz Commissioner- He went through the ORV training course to see layout, they are waiting on grant money to complete the project. The commissioners are going to use \$2 million of the

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ARPA money to pay down the RRP property. The county had a clean audit for 3 years in a row. Yates Township will be taking over Yates Dial a ride again.

Kristine Raymond- Came to meeting to introduce herself as she is running for commissioner in district 3 of Lake County. She has lived in Luther with her husband and family for around 30 years. Has a background in finance and is on the Lake County planning commission.

New Business:

Library update- Joyce Beach was unable to make the last meeting due to covid exposure. The board did not have a quorum for the last 2 meetings. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month. Summer reading program is starting on June 29th and will follow on Wednesdays at 10am. Amy Patterson contacted Eli HVAC to look at library furnace and give quote for AC.

L4029- Lake County keeps sending the L4029 to incorrect addresses and not to Janel who needs it. The last was sent to an address that doesn't exist and the mailman noticed and was able to get it to Ken Pollaski.

Internet at Hall-Amy Patterson made a motion to have point broadband install fiber internet at the Township hall. Seconded by Janel Eichenberg. Motion passed unanimously.

Election security grant- Amy Patterson has been working on grant money for election security from the State of Michigan and finding approved items. The state has awarded \$1500 and will reimburse for approved purchases. She has purchased a new EPB laptop from Staples and some other items from Election Source like ballot bags, metal ballot box, rolling ballot bin, key lock box, EPB rolling storage case. She will submit the paperwork to the state for reimbursement.

Old Business

Pioneer Cemetery- Janel Eichenberg brought up having the cemetery in her families care again and brought the original will from 1879 which was signed by family members. She called MTA and they advised that is okay to proceed. She is going to ask the township attorney to prepare the paperwork.

Garage move- Amy Patterson had the electric shut off and is waiting for Consumers Energy to unhook the powerline.

Library pavilion- A quote was given to the board to repair the pavilion by Osbourne Property Maintenance in the amount of \$7500.00 +/- 10%. At this time the board would like to have our maintenance do small repairs on roof until the prices of construction supplies go down.

Cinderblock building- Amy Patterson contacted Nordlund for engineering specs so she can place a add for bids.

HVAC at township hall- The AC unit and new furnace were installed by Eli HVAC and work very well.

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Large item- Still no weigh slips from the company. The board moved to send the amount paid for the year prior +10% to settle the bill.

Library Playground- Amy Patterson presented two options to move forward with playground equipment for the library.

Phil Lodholtz made a motion to approve the equipment quote from Pro Playgrounds \$30,500 and Great Lakes Recreation \$9,858 for playground equipment and install amount pending to a local licensed insured contractor estimated at \$11,000. Total playground cost \$51,358.00. Amy Patterson will be the leadership on this project and has approval to submit necessary forms and applications. Motion seconded by Joyce Beach. Roll call vote: Janel Eichenberg yes, Joyce Beach yes, Ken Pollaski yes, Phil Lodholtz yes, Amy Patterson yes. Motion passed.

Amy will prepare the paperwork to submit to Lake County for ARPA project funding match. Funding for this project from township will come out of the ARPA money that was received by the township.

Citizens Time

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting by Amy Patterson, seconded by Joyce Beach. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Patterson
Chase Township Clerk