

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP - ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on January 15, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Ashford.

Present: Supervisor Ashford, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Goddard, Trustee Brege and Treasurer Leeseberg. Guests: Ted Somers, Assessor and Adam Brege, Zoning Administrator.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Brege to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Brege to approve the December minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Leeseberg presented to the board reports for last month ending December 31, 2023. She balances with the Clerk and the bank.

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Ashford to approve the December Treasurer's report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

Zoning administrator Brege reported that he received an email from an individual that wanted the plans for the construction site of the Consumer's Power by the High School. He got in touch with Rich Castle from Consumers and he did not want the plans sent out. They have not emailed again to request the plans. Ashford has signed up and will attend the web seminar on the upcoming solar information from MTA.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- There will be a budget workshop on February 19th at 5:30 pm prior to the regular board meeting.
- Sheriff report was read and placed on file.
- Accident fund dividend was received.
- Par Plan news received
- Alcona Schools sent a letter and board motion stating they would like summer tax collection for 2024.

BUSINESS:

March Board of Review Dates: Organizational meeting will be March 5th at 5:30 pm. Regular meetings will be March 11th and March 12th from 1:30 - 7:30 pm. Supervisor Ashford will publish the dates in the review. They will need to be in the review for 3 weeks.

The fee schedule was discussed. Clerk LaVergne will type up the list and the board can approve in February.

The salaries of board positions were discussed. It was tabled until the next meeting on the resolutions.

Public Comment:

Assessor Somers told the board the State Tax Commission passed new poverty exempt guidelines. They can be granted at the July and December Board of Review if they haven't applied in a previous year. This is according to PA 191. The veteran's exemptions can be granted by the assessor. They don't have to go thru the board of review and after 2025 they won't have to reapply for the exemption. Once every 3 years the assessor will have to check with them on the exemption.

The Clerk noted there needed to be a transfers in the budget.

Motion by Brege, seconded by Goddard to move \$1.00 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 265-804 Sewer Maintenance and to move \$232.62 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 265-851 Telephones and to move \$4.73 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 265-925 Gas Heat and to move \$50.00 from 101-500 Contingency Expense to 101-940 Computer Enhancements. To increase the following items using the general fund balance 262-727 Supplies Election \$614.57 and 262-728 Postage \$66.40. To increase the following items related to ARPA monies. 101-528 ARPA Federal Grants Income \$65,004.79 and 101-528 ARPA Expenses \$65,004.79. Roll Call: Yes-Goddard, Brege, Ashford, Leeseberg and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by Goddard, seconded by Brege to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$7,784.68 check numbers 11430-11454. Roll Call: Yes- Goddard, Leeseberg, Brege, Ashford and LaVergne. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The meeting was adjourned by Ashford at 7:41 p.m., seconded by LaVergne until the next regular meeting on February 19th at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor