

GUSTIN TOWNSHIP – ALCONA COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Gustin Township Board was called to order in the Village of Lincoln, on February 17, 2025 at 6:40 p.m. by Supervisor Ashford.

Present: Supervisor Ashford, Clerk LaVergne, Trustee Procunier and Treasurer Somers. Absent: Trustee Brege.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Procunier to approve the agenda with the additions.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

Motion by Procunier, seconded by Ashford to approve the January minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer Somers presented to the board reports for last month ending January 31, 2025. He balances with the Clerk and the bank.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by LaVergne to approve the January Treasurer's report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OR OFFICER REPORTS:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Sheriff report was read and placed on file.
- MSU postcard on virtual trainings offered received.

BUSINESS:

Hawes Township Cemetery contract was discussed. Clerk LaVergne will send it to them.

Township Office Salaries were discussed.

Motion by Procunier, seconded by Somers to approve the Supervisors salary to be \$9,000.00 to begin in April 2025 the new budget year. Roll call: Yes-Ashford, Procunier, Somers and LaVergne. Absent: Brege. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

The rest of the township salaries will remain the same.

Treasurer Somers has received quotes for the lettering for the hall door and the drop box.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by LaVergne to approve the letter quotes from KBB Holdings LLC Patrick Nelson for \$80.00 for the lettering for the hall doors and drop box including installation. Roll Call: Yes: Ashford, LaVergne, Somers and Procunier. Absent: Brege No: None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Michael Suiter has recommended the board update the website plan. Upgrading the plan for the first year will be \$119.88 and the renewal will be \$167.88.

Motion by Ashford seconded by Somers to approve updating the website. The first year will be \$119.88 and the following year will be \$167.88. Roll Call: Yes: Ashford, LaVergne, Somers and Procunier. Absent: Brege. No: None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Clerk LaVergne stated that there is grant money available for the purchase of a new laptop for elections if purchased before 2/28/25. She would like to purchase one from Michael Suiter and then submit for the grant reimbursement.

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Somers to approve the purchase of a laptop for the elections from Michael Suiter for \$943.00. Roll Call: Yes: Ashford, LaVergne, Somers and Procunier. Absent: Brege. No: None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Received an invoice from Bauer, Florip & Wojda PLC for Solar/Michael Vogt Ranger Power/Earned Sick time act. Discussion on invoice.

Motion by Somers, seconded by LaVergne to approve payment of the Bauer, Florip & Wojda PLC invoice for \$1,300.00. Roll call: Yes: Ashford, LaVergne, Somers and Procnier. Absent: Brege. No: none.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Treasurer Somers discussed with the board the fund balance. He would like to see the township invest more money into CD's. There was discussion.

Motion by Procnier, seconded by Ashford to have Treasurer Somers invest \$150,000.00 of the fund balance into CD's at either Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union or Huron Community Bank. Roll call: Yes: Ashford, LaVergne, Somers and Procnier. Absent: Brege. No: none.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Public Comment:

None.

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

Motion by Ashford, seconded by Procnier to move \$45.00 from 1000941 Contingency Exp. to 1102804 Education/Schooling to move \$2.31 from 1000941 Contingency Exp. to 1102955 Board Misc. to move \$10.00 from 1000941 Contingency Exp. to 1265923 Snowplowing to move \$140.00 from 1000941 Contingency Exp. to 1248862 Per Diem (Planning/Zoning) and to move \$2,742.43 from the GF balance to 1248802 Attorney Fee (P/Z) \$1,900.00, 1000709 Payroll Expense \$215.71, 1262752 Supplies Election \$385.00 and 1257752 Office Supplies Assessor \$241.72. Roll Call: Yes- Procnier, Somers, Ashford and LaVergne. Absent: Brege. No-None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Motion by LaVergne, seconded by Ashford to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$8,700.14 check numbers 11839-11859. Roll Call: Yes- Procnier, Ashford, Somers and LaVergne. Absent: Brege. No: None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

The meeting was adjourned by LaVergne at 7:10 pm, seconded by Somers until the next regular meeting on March 17th at 5:30 p.m. for the budget hearing followed by the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Clerk

Supervisor