MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

MAY 15, 2024

GARFIELD TOWNSHIP HALL, ENGADINE, MI 49827

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY SUPERVISOR BUTKOVICH AT 6:30 P.M. WITH THE PLEDGE.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT – D. BUTKOVICH, FILLMAN, S. BUTKOVICH, MACARTHUR AND KETCHER.

MINUTES: **MOTION BY** S. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY MACARTHUR TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 17TH REGULAR MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION, AND THE MAY 8TH SPECIAL MEETING AS PRINTED. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER’S REPORT: **MOTION BY** KETCHER, SECONDED BY MACARTHUR TO APPROVE THE TREASURER’S REPORT AS OF APRIL 30TH AS PRINTED. MOTION CARRIED

ADDITIONAL BILLS FOR APPROVAL: **MOTION BY** MACARTHUR, SECONDED BY KETCHER TO APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL BILLS FOR PAYMENT. MOTION CARRIED.

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| GENERAL FUND |  |
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| AMERICAN LEGION POST 290 | $279.96 |
| ELECTION SOURCE | $324.81 |
| BS&A | $2,161.00 |
| HILLCREST FARM SUPPLY | $653.79 |
| U.S. POSTMASTER | $1,360.00 |
| QUILL | $434.95 |
| QUILL | $263.97 |
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|  | $5,478.48 |
| FIRE FUND |  |
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| DINGES FIRE COMPANY | $918.55 |
| DINGES FIRE COMPANY | $677.54 |
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|  | $1,596.09 |
| AMBULANCE FUND |  |
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| STRYKER | $693.75 |
| AIRGAS | $420.21 |
| BOUND TREE | $711.06 |
| DANNY'S AUTO VALUE | $688.45 |
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|  | $2,513.47 |

**NEW BUSINESS:**

SPRAY FOR SPIDERS AND ANTS: **MOTION BY** FILLMAN, SECONDED BY KETCHER TO HIRE PAINTER PEST CONTROL TO SPRAY FOR SPIDERS AND ANTS ON ALL TOWNSHIP BUILDINGS. MOTION CARRIED.

MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENT & FACILITIES APPLICATION EXTENSION: **MOTION BY** MACARTHUR, SECONDED BY FILLMAN TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2024-08 TO EXTEND THE RECEIPT PERIOD FOR APPLICATIONS FOR AUTHORIZATION OF MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS AND MARIHUANA FACILITIES UNTIL AUGUST 21, 2024. ROLL CALL: YES: MACARTHUR, FILLMAN, D. BUTKOVICH, AND KETCHER. NAYS: S. BUTKOVICH. MOTION CARRIED.

FIRE AUXILIARY GAMING LICENSE RESOLUTION: **MOTION BY** D. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY S. BUTKOVICH TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2024-09 RECOGNIZING THE ENGADINE-NAUBINWAY FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY AS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSES. ROLL CALL: YES: D. BUTKOVICH, S. BUTKOVICH, MACARTHUR, KETCHER AND FILLMAN. NO: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

ARPA FUNDS: SUPERVISOR BUTKOVICH REPORTED CLOVERLAND ELECTRIC IS FINISHING THE PAPERWORK FOR THE MARINA STREET LIGHTS AND THE PRICE WILL BE LESS THAN WHAT WAS QUOTED.

TREASURER BUTKOVICH REPORTED A TOTAL OF $55,746.75 IS AVAILABLE.

EGLE COMMUNITY ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM GRANT: SUPERVISOR BUTKOVICH REPORTED THE GRANT TO REPLACE THE STREET LIGHT LIGHTING IN THE ENTIRE TOWNSHIP WITH LED LIGHTING HAS COMPLETED THE LAST OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS AND WILL FORWARD ON TO THE SECOND STEP FOR APPROVAL.

GRAYMONT GRANT: THE FIRE CHIEF IS WORKING WITH OUR GRANT WRITER TO FINISH THE GRAYMONT GRANT APPLICATION FOR A TRAILER FOR THE UTV.

INVESTING & INVESTMENT POLICY: TREASURER BUTKOVICH PRESENTED A NEW INVESTMENT POLICY TO THE BOARD. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONS, FURTHER REVIEW NEEDS TO DONE AND WILL BE BROUGHT BACK FOR THE JUNE BOARD MEETING.

CLEAN UP DAY: CLERK FILLMAN REPORTED ZELLAR SANITATION DOES NOT HAVE DUMPSTERS AVAILABLE FOR OUR CLEAN UP DAY DATE. GFL WAS CONTACTED AND THEY HAVE DUMPSTERS AVAILABLE.

**MOTION BY** FILLMAN, SECONDED BY KETCHER TO HAVE GFL SUPPLY THE FOUR DUMPSTERS FOR CLEAN UP DAY FOR A PRICE OF $700.00 EACH WHICH INCLUDES HAULING AND 3 TONS WITH AN ADDITIONAL $70.00 PER TON OVER THE 3 TONS. MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC INPUT:**

MILE ALLEY NEEDS GRADING.

GREAT LAKES BOAT BUILDING SCHOOL WILL BE HAVING A VETERANS’ RECOGNITION DAY.

RURAL INSIGHTS HAS AN ARTICLE REFERENCING ENGADINE AS IMPOVERISHED. THERE A MANY BENEFITS IN THE AREA THAT SHOULD BE PROMOTED.

ELM STREET SUBDIVISION RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE INQUIRING WHEN THE STREETS WILL TO BE RESURFACED.

WAS THE HARBOR MASTER AND ASSISTANCE HARBOR MASTER POSITIONS POSTED?

WILL THERE EVER BE RECYCLING BINS IN THE AREA?

AMBULANCE REPORT:

**MOTION BY** S. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY MACARTHUR TO HIRE STEVEN BURTON AS AN EMT TO THE AMBULANCE CORP. MOTION CARRIED.

**MOTION BY** D. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY KETCHER TO PURCHASE AN ATV CONVERSION KIT FROM EQUINOX INDUSTRIES AND SPLIT THE COST WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR $1,509.79. MOTION CARRIED.

ASSESSOR REPORT:

CLERK FILLMAN REPORTED MANISTIQUE COMPUTERS IS STILL LOOKING FOR A LAPTOP FOR THE ASSESSOR. CURRENTLY THERE IS NOTHING AVAILABLE LIKE THE ONE PURCHASED FOR THE CLERK.

MACKINAC COUNTY EQUALIZATION SENT A LETTER STATING THE SPLITS AND COMBINATIONS OF PROPERTY WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE LOCAL UNITS. THE NEXT DAY THE LETTER WAS RESCINDED BUT THE LOCAL UNITS WERE ASKED TO RESPOND IF THE LOCAL UNIT WAS AVERSE TO TAKING ON THE SPLITS/COMBO. THE BOARD DISCUSSED THIS ISSUE AND WILL DRAFT A LETTER TO MACKINAC COUNTY EQUALIZATION ADDRESSING THE TOWNSHIPS CONCERNS WITH TAKING OVER THE PROPERTY SPLITS AND COMBINATIONS.

THERE WAS NOTHING TO REPORT ON THE GREAT LAKES GAS TRANSMISSION CASE.

FIRE REPORT:

A DISCUSSION ON THE FUEL CARDS. CHIEF WENDT STATED HE WON’T SEND FIREMEN TO NEWBERRY FOR GAS WHEN THEY HAVE TO PAY OUT OF POCKET AND WAIT FOR REIMBURSEMENT AND HE WILL LET THE EQUIPMENT RUN INTO THE GROUND. TREASURER BUTKOVICH WILL CHECK INTO GETTING CHARGE ACCOUNTS SET UP WITH STATIONS IN NEWBERRY THAT HAVE ETHANAL FUEL.

**MOTION BY** D. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY S. BUTKOVICH TO PURCHASE A LIGHT BAR FOR ENGINE 2 FROM DAN LAY FOR $2,500.00. MOTION CARRIED.

**MOTION BY** KETCHER, SECONDED BY MACARTHUR TO APPROVE REPAIRS FOR ENGINE 2 AND TANKER 2 BY R & R FIRE TRUCK REPAIR FOR A COST OF $5,575.00. MOTION CARRIED.

**MOTION BY** D. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY KETCHER TO PURCHASE TWO BUTTERFLY VALVES FOR ENGINE 1 FROM FIRE HOSE DIRECT FOR $2,241.28. MOTION CARRIED.

**MOTION BY** D. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY MACARTHUR TO APPROVE REPAIRS FOR ENGINE 1 BY R & R FIRE TRUCK REPAIR FOR $3,150.00. MOTION CARRIED.

ROADS:

NO WORK ESTIMATES FOR BROWN ROAD, HAHN ROAD FROM KRAUSE ROAD EAST AND RASKI ROAD FROM THE BRIDGE SOUTH TO THE CORNER WERE RECEIVED. THESE MAY BE PUT ON HOLD.

THE CHLORIDE APPLICATION ON THE GRAVEL ROADS WILL BE MID-JUNE.

MARINA:

**MOTION BY** FILLMAN, SECONDED BY KETCHER TO CHARGE A BOAT PUMPING FEE OF $15.00. MOTION CARRIED.

SUPERVISOR BUTKOVICH REPORTED THE WATER HAS BEEN TURNED ON AND THE MARINA IS NOW OPEN.

MIKE HOUGHTON HAS REQUESTED TO BE PAID FOR 40 HOURS OF WORK FOR ASSISTING WITH VARIOUS THINGS FOR THE TOWNSHIP. **MOTION BY** D. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY MACARTHUR TO COMPENSATE MIKE HOUGHTON FOR 40 HOURS AT $15.00 PER HOURS. MOTION CARRIED.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS:

LAWN MAINTENANCE: **MOTION BY** S. BUTKOVICH, SECONDED BY FILLMAN TO ACCEPT THE LAWN MAINTENANCE QUOTE AND HIRE NORTHERN NURSERY FOR $1,250.00. MOTION CARRIED.

EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE:

THE COMMITTEE WILL BE HAVING A MEETING ONCE MORE INFORMATION IS RECEIVED ON AN AMBULANCE.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

EGLE – PERMIT FOR HIAWATHA SPORTSMAN’S CLUB TO REMOVE AN EXISTING UNDER SIZED CULVERT AT COLD CREEK AND INSTALL A LARGER CULVERT.

**MOTION BY** KETCHER, SECONDED BY FILLMAN TO ADJOURN AT 8:26 P.M. MOTION CARRIED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

PAULA FILLMAN

GARFIELD TOWNSHIP CLERK

(THESE DRAFT MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO CORRECTION AND APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOARD MEETING.)