SANILAC TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING – ELECTRONIC REMOTE ACCESS

Thursday, February 11, 2021 6:00 P.M.

Per the MDHHS Emergency Order under MCL 333.2253 (Gatherings and Face Mask Order) and in accordance with Public Act 228 of 2020, remote access was implemented per the requirements of PA 228 of 2020.

OPENING OF MEETING:

Supervisor Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present Remotely: Supervisor Dan Kelly, Trustee Jeff Lyall, Trustee William Noelke, Treasurer Dru Moran and Clerk Suzanne Shagena.

Guests Present Remotely: Arthur Schlichting, Township Assessor, Robert Dear, Deputy Clerk and William Sarkella, Sanilac County Commissioner-District 3 and Debbi Earl.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

• SEFA Millage

Motion by Noelke, seconded by Lyall, to approve the amended agenda as presented. CARRIED.

APPOINTMENTS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

William Sarkella, District #3 County Commissioner, provided an update on County Operations & future recycling opportunities for the township.

- a. Board Minutes of 12/10/20.
- b. Accounts Payable General Fund and Water Operating Bills.
- c. Payroll for January 2021.
- d. Treasurer's Report.
- e. Zoning Administrator's Report.

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Motion by Lyall, seconded by Shagena, to approve the consent agenda. CARRIED.

- Fire Authority Report Synopsis:
 - 1. February 9, 2021 virtual meeting.
 - 2. Discussions on Rescue/EMS services, financing these services and future equipment.
 - 3. Facility and apparatus lease issues.
 - 4. QuickBooks purchase.
 - 5. Turnout gear purchase.
 - 6. Insurance renewal.
 - 7. Online burn permit activation.
 - 8. Search for new attorney.
- Water Operations Report Synopsis:
 - 1. Discussion on REU's and Water Assessments.
 - 2. Installation at 3920 Lakeshore Road on hold to find contractor for installation.
 - 3. 1555 S. Lakeshore is awaiting final inspection.
 - 4. Supervisor working on Roach Road water request.
 - 5. Additional new water customer requests.
 - 6. Continue with internal water audit to sort out assessments/charges, etc.
- Assessor's Report Synopsis:
 - 1. January was spent on the tax roll set up.
 - 2. March Board of Review is scheduled for the 10th and 11th. Organization meeting set for the 2nd.

Motion by Shagena, seconded by Moran, to approve the reports as presented. CARRIED.

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OLD BUSINES

Review and updating the townships fee schedule will be tabled until the board can have face to face meetings to discuss in person.

Mr. Stearn is working on bringing his water account current. No additional late fees will be accessed during this time period.

Many water customers receiving water bills late due to the mail being slow. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Shagena to waive late fees for all January quarterly water bills due to late mail delivery. CARRIED.

The following price quotes were received from Salowitz Propane and Larry's Refrigerator on replacing the furnace at the township hall. \$6750.00 quote from Salowitz Propane for the purchase and installation of two high efficiency furnaces, outdoor venting and a new hot water heater. \$6500.00 quote from Larry's Refrigeration for the purchase and installation of new high efficiency furnaces. Motion by Noelke, seconded by Lyall, to accept the price quote from Salowitz Propane for the purchase and installation of two high efficiency furnaces, outdoor piping/venting and a new hot water heater for the Sanilac Township hall. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

The board discussed a seven-acre parcel located north of the village. In 2006 a water assessment was not placed on said parcel. No water assessment will be assessed until someone would request water hookup and at that time the property owner can choose to pay off the assessment or choose to pay a \$4000 deposit and payments over the next 20 years.

Wilkinson's Solutions provided the township with a contract for 2021 Brine Applications. Motion by Lyall, seconded by Moran to approve the 2021 Brine Application Contract with Wilkinson's Solutions. CARRIED.

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The board reviewed an Electric and Fiber Franchise Ordinance request from Thumb Electric Cooperative. The ordinance will be forwarded to the township attorney for review.

The board reviewed the 2021 Summer Recreation Contract. Motion by Lyall, seconded by Moran, to approve the 2021 Summer Recreation contract with the Village of Port Sanilac. CARRIED.

OTHER:

Supervisor Kelly reported that Chris Heiden with the Village of Lexington would like to discuss the Water Operating Contract that is set to expire in July and determine the best sequence to follow for changing specific items and renewing the contract.

With new furniture being donated to the Township Hall, a discussion was held on disposal/storage of existing chairs. Motion by Kelly, seconded by Lyall to donate any unused furniture to the Mason's located in the upper floor of the township hall. CARRIED.

The board also discussed the possibility of a SEFA or Emergency Service Millage being requested at a future date to help cover the townships costs associated with providing Fire and Emergency Services.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

Motion by Lyall, seconded by Noelke, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M. CARRIED.

Suzanne Shagena, Township Clerk

Dan Kelly. Township Supervisor