



TOWNSHIP OF FLYNN
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 8, 2023

8:00 P.M. – Regular Monthly Board Meeting at the Flynn Township Senior Center

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Grant Burgess, Clerk Robert Vinande and Trustee Bob Alexander

MEMBERS ABSENT: Treasurer Brent Banks, Trustee Jeff Keesler

OTHERS: Assessor Thomas Lupo, Deputy Supervisor Gene Burgess, Commissioner Christine Lee, Ruth Kulman (Brown City District Library), David Troyer, Henry Troyer, Levi Troyer, Carl Mahaffy and David Tippett.

REGULAR AGENDA:

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- **REGULAR BOARD MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY** Supervisor Grant Burgess at 8:00 p.m.
- **ASSESSOR’S REPORT**
 - New Construction measurements are taking place.
 - Q3 Board of Review Meeting was held July 18th at 9 a.m. with one query presented to the BOR.
- **COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**
 - Commissioner Christine Lee’s Report is attached starting on page 4 of this document.
- **PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - High traffic concerns on Morgan Road and Sullivan Road
 - David Troyer, Henry Troyer, Levi Troyer, Carl Mahaffy and David Tippett shared with the board their experiences with high traffic on Morgan and Sullivan Roads due to a detour caused from weight restrictions placed on the bridge on Marlette Road (bridge just west of Maple Valley Road intersection).
 - Supervisor Burgess shared with the individuals the discussions held with the County to identify traffic patterns and routes that could be used.
 - The county has added gravel to portions of the roads and is aware of the need to stay on top of grading.
 - Individuals requested the high traffic users, at minimum, to spread brine to minimize road dust and to slow down and have respect for residents.
 - Township Board highly suggested community member(s) discuss their concerns directly with the high traffic users in a civilized manner.

- Brown City District Library
 - Commissioner Lee introduced Ruth Kulman, Brown City District Library Director, to the board.
 - Ms. Kulman informed the board the Brown City District Library was established in November 2022 by the Library of Michigan.
 - A portion of Flynn Township is within the Brown City District Library boundaries.
 - Ms. Kulman is requesting a copy of the Flynn Township L-4029.
 - **ACTION ITEM** – Clerk Vinande to provide a copy of the township’s most current L-4029.
 - Ms. Kulman informed the board their may be a millage proposal on the February 2024 ballot.
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A motion made by Trustee Bob Alexander and seconded by Clerk Robert Vinande to approve the July 11th minutes as presented. **MOTION CARRIED**
- **APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP TREASURER’S REPORT**
 - A motion made by Clerk Robert Vinande and seconded by Trustee Bob Alexander to accept Treasurer’s Balance Sheet as presented on August 8, 2023. **MOTION CARRIED**
- **APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP EXPENSES:**
 - A motion made by Trustee Bob Alexander and seconded by Clerk Robert Vinande to accept the August bills as presented on August 8, 2023 for a total of \$3,474.10. **MOTION CARRIED**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **ACTION ITEMS**
 - Clerk Robert Vinande reviewed the current Open Action Items and updated them.
- **SENIOR CENTER / PARK**
 - No discussion.
- **NATURE CENTER**
 - No discussion.
- **ROADS**
 - Deferred decision of a second brine application to the September meeting.
 - **ACTION ITEM** – Clerk Vinande to put on September Agenda.
- **CLERK’S ITEMS**
 - No discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **SENIOR CENTER / PARK**
 - No discussion.
- **NATURE CENTER**
 - No discussion.
- **ROADS**
 - No discussion.

- **CLERK'S ITEMS**

- 2024 Scrap Tire Recycling Event
 - Discussed applying for a 2024 Scrap Tire Recycling Grant from the SOM.
 - A motion made by Trustee Bob Alexander and seconded by Clerk Robert Vinande to apply for the 2024 Scrap Tire Recycling Grant for one trailer. **MOTION CARRIED**
 - **ACTION ITEM** – Clerk Vinande to apply for the 2024 Grant.
- 2024 Early Voting Approach for 9-Day In-Person Voting
 - Deferred decision of an approach to the September meeting.
 - **ACTION ITEM** – Clerk Vinande to put on September Agenda.

OTHER:

- Upcoming Meetings were reviewed by Clerk Robert Vinande:
 - September Flynn Township Board Meeting
 - Tue. Sept. 12th, 8 p.m.
- Brown City Fire Authority
 - No update.
- Clerk Robert Vinande reviewed the New Action Items from the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

- A motion was made by Clerk Robert Vinande and seconded by Trustee Bob Alexander to adjourn the meeting.
MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING:

- The Flynn Township Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 12th 8:00 p.m. at the Flynn Township Senior Center.

Commissioner's Report – District 5 City/Village/Townships

July 17, 2023

Child Abuse Prevention Council

- Thumb Festival Kids Day they had 750 people.
- July 23, 2023: Free Movie at Firebird Theatre, Sing 2 at 11:00 AM (Free Kiddie Combo for all attendees.
- July 29, 2023: Free Bowling at Liberty Lanes, 11:00 AM – Noon.
- September 29, 2023: Sanilac County Baby Shower 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM at Countryside Free Methodist Church, Sandusky
- November 12, 2023: Good News Assembly, Marlette will host a Movie with a Mission. Free will donation, all donations will go to Sanilac County Child Advocacy.

Council On Aging

- Worked on their budget and will be updating their bylaws.
- Tai Chi Classes have started up.
- Enhance Fitness classes have started up.

July 18, 2023

Health Board

- Preschool & Kindergarten entrance hearing & vision screening on Wednesdays at the Health Department by appointment only, call to schedule. 810-648-4098
- Food Trucks every Thursday at the Health Department starting at 11:00 AM, rain or shine. This Thursday will be Momma C's North of the Border and July 27 th Hotdog Hut.
- Remember to protect yourself from the sun, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM the sun is the strongest.
- Canadian Wildfires: Adults 65 and older, pregnant women, children and people with lung and heart conditions are more likely to get sick. Symptom: wheezing, coughing and shortness of breath. Asthma and Heart Disease if you experience these symptoms contact your health care provider.

Board of Commissioner

Joe Kautz, District Manager of Blue Water Conservation District, presented to the Board an overview of programs, grants received, and equipment rental opportunities. Mr. Kautz further extended an invitation to Sanilac County residence to their annual meeting that will be held on Wednesday, September 6, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Greenwood Twp. Hall, 9025 Yale Rd., Greenwood, Michigan. The meeting will be featuring Rob Sharkey (SharkFarmer) from Illinois. Interested parties should RSVP to megan.naplin@macd.org.

Connie Garcia, Contract Manager of Region VII Area Agency on Aging, gave a presentation to the Board highlighting services provided and fiscal oversight.

ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE REGION VII AREA AGENCY ON AGING ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

FA-101-23 - APPROVED THE PAYMENT OF CURRENT CLAIMS FOR 2023 IDENTIFIED ON THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT DATED JULY 11, 2023, FOR THE GENERAL BANK ACCOUNT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$280,022.12

FA-103-23 - APPROVED THE PAYMENT OF ADDITIONAL GENERAL FUND BANK ACCOUNT CHECKS CHARGED TO JUNE, 2023, AS FOLLOWS: ADDITIONAL GENERAL FUND BANK ACCOUNT CHARGES FOR JUNE 2023 \$430,748.29 ACH PAYMENTS \$65,426.35 ONLINE BILL PAY \$1,609,133.69 CHECKS \$2,105,308.33 TOTAL

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FA-104-23 - APPROVED A NON-EXPIRING AGREEMENT FOR CONTRACTUAL LAW TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2023 130 (UNOFFICIAL MINUTES) ENFORCEMENT SERVICES BETWEEN SANILAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION AND THE SANILAC COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

FA-105-23 - AUTHORIZED THE DISPOSAL OF ONE (1) 2016 FORD INTERCEPTOR VEHICLE, VIN# ENDING IN 31042, WITH 103,020 MILES THROUGH ALBRECHT AUCTION SERVICE OF VASSAR. FURTHER AUTHORIZES ALL PROCEEDS OF THE SALE TO BE DEPOSITED INTO THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE VEHICLE LINE.

FA-106-23 - AWARDS AND AUTHORIZES THE PURCHASE OF 15 COMPUTER WORKSTATIONS FOR THE FRIEND OF THE COURT AND SHERIFF'S OFFICE FROM DELL TECHNOLOGIES AT A COST OF \$1,228.20, EACH, FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$18,423.00, AND 15 LICENSES FROM BUSINESS SUITE AT \$250.00, EACH, FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$3,750.00. WITH FUNDING FROM THE 2023 INFORMATION/TECHNOLOGY BUDGET AND REIMBURSEMENT OF 66% FOR NINE (9) OF THE COMPUTER WORKSTATIONS, FROM THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, FRIEND OF THE COURT CONTRACT.

FA-107-23 - AUTHORIZED THE PURCHASE OF A FINGERPRINT SCANNER FROM IDNETWORK AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$10,278.00, FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, CORRECTION DIVISION, WITH FUNDING FROM THE INMATE COMMISSARY FUND

Bretton Jones brought awareness to the Board regarding House Bill 4474.

August 1, 2023 BOARD OF COMMISSIONER

APPOINTED ANGELA WEBER TO THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD FOR A PARTIAL THREE (3) YEAR TERM, EXPIRING 3/31/2026. SANILAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED KURT WENTZEL TO THE LIBRARY BOARD FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM, EXPIRING 6/30/2028.

FA-108-23 - APPROVED THE PAYMENT OF CURRENT CLAIMS FOR 2023 IDENTIFIED ON THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT DATED JULY 25, 2023, FOR THE GENERAL BANK ACCOUNT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$148,177.59

FA-110-23 - AUTHORIZED A THREE (3) YEAR COMMITMENT TO THE BLUE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A FULL TIME TECHNICIAN FOR THREE (3) YEARS, DEDICATED TO AIDING WITH IMPLEMENTING FARM BILL PROGRAMS IN SANILAC COUNTY, AT AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000 PER YEAR FOR FY2024, FY2025 AND FY2026, WITH FUNDING FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND.

FA-111-23 - APPROVED THE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING CENTER LIFE SKILLS AGREEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$90,000.00, WITH REIMBURSEMENT TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023 136 (UNOFFICIAL MINUTES) OF 50% THROUGH THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, CHILD CARE FUND.

FA-112-23 - APPROVED RENEWING THE NEWSPAPER OF RECORD AGREEMENT, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 2, 2023 TO AUGUST 1, 2025, CONTINGENT UPON REVIEWING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEW LAW REGARDING ONLINE ADVERTISING.

Public Comments: Wil Morris, Chief Executive Officer, Sanilac County Community Mental Health, thanked the Commissioner for new appointment. Mr. Morris further stated that the CCBHC (Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Demonstration Program) application should be determined in about 30 days. If approved, they will become a demonstration site beginning October 1st. Mr. Morris also made the Board aware that CMH has purchased the Stoliker building for their industrial program.

Diane Ferguson, Watertown Township Resident, confirmed with the Board that her email to them was received. Ms. Ferguson continued by asking for clarification regarding MCL 168.370 and expressed her interest in being appointed

