



TOWNSHIP OF FLYNN
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 14, 2023

7:00 P.M. – Regular Monthly Board Meeting at the Flynn Township Senior Center

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Grant Burgess, Clerk Robert Vinande, Treasurer Brent Bank, Trustee Jeff Keesler and Trustee Bob Alexander

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Assessor Thomas Lupo, Deputy Supervisor Gene Burgess, Commissioner Christine Lee.

REGULAR AGENDA:

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- **REGULAR BOARD MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY** Supervisor Grant Burgess at 7:00 p.m.
- **ASSESSOR’S REPORT**
 - New procedures required for the board to fulfill will be reviewed by Thomas Lupo at the January 2023 meeting.
- **COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**
 - Commissioner Christine Lee’s Report is attached starting on page 4 of this document.
- **PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - None
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A motion made by Trustee Jeff Keesler and seconded by Trustee Bob Alexander to approve the Oct. 10th minutes. **MOTION CARRIED**
- **APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP TREASURER’S REPORT**
 - A motion made by Trustee Jeff Keesler and seconded by Clerk Robert Vinande to approve the October Treasurer’s Report. **MOTION CARRIED**
- **APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIP EXPENSES:**
 - A motion made by Treasurer Brent Banks and seconded by Trustee Bob Alexander to accept the November bills as presented on November 14, 2023 for a total of \$21,153.15. **MOTION CARRIED**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **SENIOR CENTER / PARK**
 - No discussion.
- **NATURE CENTER**
 - No discussion.
- **ROADS**
 - Per Supervisor Burgess, all the gravel roads are in the process of being graded by the county garage.
- **CLERK'S ITEMS**
 - The November 7, 2023 Sandusky School Election was conducted and all went very smoothly.
 - Brown City District Library Millage Request
 - A 1.2-mill proposal will be placed on the February 27, 2024 ballot for funding the Brown City District Library. This would be a new millage for Flynn Township residents if it passes.
 - The board discussed that this request is actually for more than the current township road millage; renewal of the township road millage will be placed on the August or November 2024 ballot.
 - Legislation Preempting Local Control for commercial grade Solar and Wind Developments has passed both State Legislatures and has been signed by Governor Whitmer.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **SENIOR CENTER / PARK**
 - No discussion.
- **NATURE CENTER**
 - No discussion.
- **ROADS**
 - Supervisor Grant Burgess informed the board of a culvert replacement needing to be made soon.
 - Supervisor Grant Burgess noted the obstruction of sight by vehicles/trailers parked in the road right away at 4424 Montgomery Road (corner of Montgomery and Maple Valley Roads). Clerk Robert Vinande to send a letter to the property owner (Timothy Bender) to have the tenants keep all vehicles/trailers out of the road right away. The Sanilac County Sheriff was also informed of the situation. There is a No-Parking sign at the location. This situation presents a severe safety hazard as a driver cannot see oncoming traffic without having to pull into the road way directly into the path of oncoming vehicles.
- **CLERK'S ITEMS**
 - The Annual Meeting of the Sanilac County Chapter of the MTA will meet on Dec. 13, 2023. A motion made by Treasurer Brent Banks and seconded by Trustee Jeff Keesler to change the December Board Meeting to follow the MTA meeting on Wed. Dec. 13, 2023. **MOTION CARRIED**
 - Clerk Vinande to follow up and inquire regarding who mowed the Kerr Cemetery this year and send them a Christmas gift.
 - The 2024 Flynn Township Board Meeting dates have been published on the website and noted on the outside bulletin board.
 - Discussed with the board the renewal of the township's insurance with EMC for 2024. A motion made by Trustee Bob Alexander and seconded by Trustee Jeff Keesler to renew with EMC for 2024. **MOTION CARRIED**
 - The printer/copier in the office has been repaired and can be used for making copies.
 - The Q4 Planning Commission Meeting is scheduled for Thur. December 21, 2023 @ 7 p.m., Flynn Township Hall.

OTHER:

- Upcoming Meetings were reviewed by Supervisor Grant Burgess:
 - December Flynn Township Board Meeting -- Wed. Dec. 13, 2023 following the Annual MTA Meeting at Liberty Lanes following the close of the MTA meeting.
- Brown City Fire Authority
 - Deputy Supervisor Burgess noted the Fire Authority is in the process of acquiring / ordering a new fire engine to replace the 30 year old one in the fleet.
 - Travis Blatt was named the Fire Chief for the Brown City Fire Authority.

ADJOURNMENT:

- A motion was made by Trustee Bob Alexander and seconded by Trustee Jeff Keesler to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**

NEXT MEETING:

- The Flynn Township Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Flynn Township Senior Center.

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

October 16, 2023

Child Abuse Prevention Council:

Community Baby Shower was held, 58 women registered, with 27 vendors. Three breakout sessions were offered. Baby Pantry serviced 254 unduplicated families, which is an increase of 56 families from Fiscal Year 2022, with all zip codes in the county serviced.

Upcoming events:

October 20 th – Harvest Hop @ Diamond Trail

October 24 th – Project Connect

October 27 th – CMH trunk or treat

Council On Aging

No waiting list for Meals on Wheels at this time.

Updated their by-laws

McKenzie Hospital is offering Market Place, Alicia Parks 810-648-0580 will look over your existing health coverage and see what your needs are and will try to find a plan that best fits you. For seniors and individual that are Medi Care, Medicaid and other types of insurance. Ms. Parks doesn't tell you what plan to pick she just shows you the different options. Region VII also offers this service 1-800=858-1637. Both of these are by appointment only.

October 17, 2023

Health Board:

My Community Dental Center had a soft opening,

Outreach is getting information out to the public.

Received Family Planning Caseload and Funding Grant. Original Allocation was 100 and was awarded an additional award to increase to 118.

Substance Use Department has been invited to the next Principals Meeting to discuss further programming in the schools for repeat offenders in regards to substance use.

Covid 19 cases remain steady in Sanilac County, as of October 13 th , 25 cases have been reported.

Had a rabies positive bat in Sanilac County.

Great Start Collaborative continues to experience growth. They are partnering with libraries to provide “Story Time” aimed for children ages 0-5. Goal is to increase literacy in children in that age group.

Maple Valley Community Center: Senior dance is back and was held in the gym area.

Board of Commissioner

Shannon Kreger, Veterans Affairs Director, presented the 2022 Annual Report. Reported a decrease of 103 Veterans and dependents in the community. Just over \$16.5 million was paid to Veterans in Sanilac County, which is an increase of \$12.5 million from 2021. In addition, \$93,263.96 was provided to Sanilac County Veterans in need. 329 rides were given to Veterans for medical appointments.

Kathleen Ann See (R), Sandra Lee Sundeen (D), and Carole A Partlo (D), alternate for the Board of Canvassers for a 4-year term, ending 10/23/2026.

Nancy L. Caringi appointed to the Department of Health & Human Services Board for a 3-year term, ending 10/31/2026.

Proclamation Commemorating the 95 th Year of K. M. Cork Hardware was presented to Lee Cork.

Resolution Honoring Dawn Malek for her commitment to the Sanilac County Historic Village & Museum.

Adopted the 2023 Sanilac County Apportionment Report.

FA-139-23 Approved the payment of current claims for 2023 identified on the accounts payable report dated October 10, 2023, for the General Bank Account in the amount of \$111,524.16.

FA-142-23 Approved a 3-year HVAC Service Agreement with Thermalnetics at a cost not to exceed \$11,530.00. Funding from the inmate commissary fund.

FA-143-23 Approved a Non-Expiring agreement for contractual Law Enforcement Services between Buel Twp. And

the Sanilac County Sheriff's Office.

FA-144-23 Awards and authorizes the Sheriff's Office purchase 12 Harris XL-200P Portable Radios from AMK Service at a cost not to exceed \$61,850.40 with funding to be reimbursed through LEPTA Region 3 Homeland Security Grant Funds.

FA-145-23 Authorizes the Sheriff's Office sponsor Kaden Collins and Brandon Thompson to attend Delta College's MCOLES Basic Police Academy, at a cost not to exceed \$17,842.00, with reimbursement through MCOLES Public Safety Academy Assistance Program Grant.

FA-147-23 Authorize payments to Geocycle, LLC at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00 and to ERG Environment Services at a cost not to exceed \$21,745.01, with funding from the Recycling Millage.

FA-148-23 Awards and Authorizes the purchase of a 2023 Chrysler Pacifica from LaFontaine CDJR-Lansing at a cost not to exceed \$40,310.00, with funding from the Motor Pool Budget, and recommend the disposal of a 2011 Ford Fusion, at Albrecht Auction of Vassar and all proceeds of the sale to be deposited into the Motor Pool Fund

November 7, 2023

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HEREBY ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING: RESOLUTION OPPOSING STATEWIDE SEPTIC INSPECTION CODE

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HEREBY ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING: SANILAC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SANILAC COUNTY MASTER PLAN

FA-149-23 - APPROVED THE PAYMENT OF CURRENT CLAIMS FOR 2023 IDENTIFIED ON THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORT DATED OCTOBER 31, 2023, FOR THE GENERAL BANK ACCOUNT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$124,750.72.

FA-151-23 – APPROVED THE FOLLOWING INDIGENT DEFENSE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SANILAC AND

MATTHEW LOZEN AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE BOARD CHAIRMAN TO SIGN: EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT INDIGENT DEFENSE DIRECTOR

FA-152-23 - APPROVED THE FOLLOWING COUNTY RECYCLING MILLAGE BALLOT QUESTION LANGUAGE, FOR THE YEAR 2024 AND CONTINUING THROUGH 2027, FOR .15 MILL, REVIEWED BY THE PROSECUTOR AND CLERK TO BE PLACED ON THE FEBRUARY 27, 2024, PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY: RENEWAL OF COUNTY RECYCLING MILLAGE

FA-153-23 - AUTHORIZED SANILAC COUNTY TO WORK WITH HURON AND TUSCOLA COUNTIES ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A POSSIBLE AGREEMENT FOR A MULTICOUNTY MATERIALS MANAGEMENT PLAN.

FA-154-23 - AWARDED AND AUTHORIZED RICK KAPPEL EXCAVATING THE BID FOR NEW CONCRETE AND THE REMOVAL OF ASPHALT AT THE SANILAC COUNTY RECYCLING CENTER, FOR IMMEDIATE APPROVAL, AT A COST NOT

TO EXCEED \$59,436.00, WITH FUNDING FROM THE RECYCLING CENTER MILLAGE.

FA-155-23 - ADOPTED THE 2024 PROPOSED RESOLUTION, THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT AND 2024 PROPOSED GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND BUDGETS. FURTHER, HEREBY SCHEDULES A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2024 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR DECEMBER 5, 2023, AND DIRECTS THE BOARD'S SECRETARY TO PUBLISH THE LEGAL NOTICE.

NFA-009-23 - APPROVED THE FOLLOWING SANILAC COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING BY-LAWS, AS AMENDED.

NFA-010-23 - APPROVED THE FOLLOWING SANILAC COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE BY-LAWS, AS PRESENTED.

NFA-011-23 - APPROVEDS THE FOLLOWING JOB DESCRIPTION, AS PRESENTED, SANILAC COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

JOB DESCRIPTION TITLE: DIRECTOR/ADMINISTRATOR

Christine J. Lee, Commissioner – District 5

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