

Tentative:

**Pokagon Township Board Minutes**

Approved: X

**March 8, 2023**

The meeting of the Pokagon Township Board was called to order on Wednesday, March 8, 2023 by Supervisor Linda Preston. Roll call of members showed the following members present: Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer

Motion made by Gary and second by Kevin to approve the February 8, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented. Voice Vote: All ayes. Motion carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jeremiah Jones: Presented a gavel for the board to use at meetings. He reported on the county health department meeting.

**REPORTS**

Supervisor: Attended St. MIHI, St Boundary, and SWMPC meetings.

Clerk: Sent out AV Applications for May election. Attended Capital Conference.

Treasurer: Kevin Young reported general fund balance at \$810,787.173 as of February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Tax collection Complete. Reported that investments are doing well and that the new credit card tax payment method worked well this season. Kevin moved to adopt resolution 2023-10 to do business with Sturgis Bank, Gary second. Roll call vote: Ayes - Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried. Kevin moved to transfer allocated funds set in budget \$64,252.00 from the Fire Fund to Pokagon Volunteer Fire Dept. Vehicle Fund known as Fire Sinking Fund, Christina second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator: Two permits issued for February.

Blight Enforcement: Never ending issues. Continuing to tag cars as he is out inspecting.

Building Inspector: Four permits issued for February for a total of \$5,370.00.

Cemetery Board: A lot of trees down in Evergreen and Sumnerville Cemetery.

Fire Departments:

Pokagon –No report.

Indian Lake – 5 calls in Pokagon Township for February.

Zoning Board of Appeals: One application in.

Planning Commission: One application in, they asked for more information from the applicate. They are looking into adding to the ordinance for solar. Set meeting schedule for 2023, June 6<sup>th</sup>, September 12<sup>th</sup>, December 5<sup>th</sup> and March 5<sup>th</sup>. Three Mining permits were received. Kevin made a motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendations to approve the three permits from Yerington Brothers, NCSC, Moose Lake, Gary second. Roll call vote: Ayes - Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried.

Ambulance:

Pride Care – Had 12 calls for February.

SMCAS – Had 8 calls for February.

Assessor – BOR members met on March 7<sup>th</sup> and will meet again on March 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> for BOR. All members attended the yearly training and are certified.

Transfer Station – Was closed on March 4<sup>th</sup> due to the weather, will be open on March 18<sup>th</sup> weather permitting.

Correspondence: Michigan Department of Ag.

Website – Waiting for a design mock up from Shumaker.

Bills – The total amount of bills for January is \$58,209.49. Gary moved to accept the list of bills presented, Kevin second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

**Indian Lake VFD Contract:** Linda moved to enter into a three-year contract with Indian Lake VFD, Kevin second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried.

**Transfer Station:** Closed on holiday weekends. No more 50% off Saturdays. Look into having the drive way graded.

**Amend 2022-2023 Budget:** Linda moved to amend the Supervisor, Other General Expense, Clerk, Treasures, Protective Services, and Other Functions categories to the 2022-2023 Budget, Kevin second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried. Amendments attached.

**Board of Review Training:** All members were trained and certified, good for two years.

**Veterans Affair Vehicle:** Parked in our parking lot. All documents are signed.

New Business:

**Resolution for Internet:** Gary moved to adopt resolution #2023-11 to approve matching funds support letter for MEC, Christina second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried. Kevin moved to adopt resolution #2023-12 for support for MEC applying for ROBIN grant, Gary second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried.

**Resolution for Budget:** Kevin moved to adopt Resolution #2023-13 for the budget for the fiscal year 2023-2024, Gary second. Roll call vote: Ayes -Kevin Young, Linda Preston, Christina Davis and Gary Mihills. Absent: Bob Shaffer. Motion carried.

**Capital Conference:** Linda, Christina, and Gary attended, and got to sit in on Proposal 2, solar power, and solid waste meetings.

**Emails:** Shumaker offers emails for \$80/account/year. Christina will clarify price before moving forward.

Linda made a motion to adjourn, second by Kevin. All ayes, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Christina Davis - Clerk

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