

BUTLER TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Aug. 23, 2021

Call-to-Order 7 P.M. Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call of Officers—Present: Supervisor Gary Smith, Treasurer Deb Bracy, Trustee Chris Brenner, Trustee Janis Olney and Clerk Linda Hammontree. None absent. Others present: Erica Ewers, Matt Ashenfelter, Gary Hammontree, and J.A. and Velma Cole.

Motion by Brenner/Hammontree **to approve July 26, 2021 Monthly board minutes, as presented. Approved.**

Motion by Olney/Brenner **to approve Aug. 9, 2021 Special Meeting minutes. Approved.**

Treasurer's Report-Deb Bracy: **General Fund:** Beginning balance @ 4/01/21 \$125,741.56. Receipts: \$-0-. Expenditures: \$(81,075.69). Balance @ 7/31/21 \$44,665.87. **Perpetual Care Fund:** Beginning balance @ 4/01/21 \$901.96. Receipts: \$-0-. Expenditures: \$(8.48). Balance @ 7/31/21 \$893.48. Total cash-on-hand \$45,559.35. **Motion** by Brenner/Olney **to accept the Treasurer's Report. Approved.**

Accounts Payable-Deb Bracy. **Motion** by Olney/Hammontree **to approve bills be paid.**

Check #	Payee	Reason	Amount
6207	Wolfinger's Hardware, Inc.	Paint for Twp. Hall	\$ 116.11
6208	Double E Enterprises	Assessing Services	879.00
6209	Coldwater Media Group	Public Notices	70.80
6210	Area One Lawn Care	Lawn Maintenance/1 Full Burial	1400.00
6211	Neil Doty Painting	Twp. Hall Lean-to OSB paint job	500.00
6212	Coldwater Media Group	Public Notices	+ 156.80

Total of bills paid = \$3122.71

Assessor's Report (June 29 through Aug.20)-Erica Ewers: AMAR scheduled for Sept. 15 at Equalization office (not open to the public). Pictometry comparison software training is complete. No appeals have been filed for the Michigan Tax Tribunal. Processed 2 land splits, and 1 change to PA260 program. Working on Butler Residential Sales study with Equalization office. July Board of Review was held July 20, 2021 at 9 a.m., with petitions approved and distributed. Completed a Principal Residence Exemption Denial application for 2018, for one taxpayer, due to overlapping addresses. Data entry up to date and picking up items at Equalization and Abstract office. **Motion** by Smith/Hammontree **to approve Assessor's Report. Approved.**

Zoning Report-Matt Ashenfelter: Permits issued 1) #0064 Scott and Kristine Inman, 40'X60' Residential pole building, 1200 sq. ft. home and 1200 sq. ft. garage space, \$100 permit paid 2) #0065 Michael Graber, 44'X160' calf barn on foundation, \$50 permit paid 3) #0066 Melvin Graber, 25' X 30' addition w/new gable dwelling roofline, \$50 permit paid. Land Split - Scott and Kristine Inman, ZBA 4/1/21 approved 2 acre+/-split (300'X300') with dwelling, \$50 fee paid. Non-compliance: Damian Lopresto, placement of a dwelling (mobile home) on property without valid zoning permit. "Stop Work" notice posted and violation notice sent 6/28/21, with TEMP PERMIT ISSUED FOR MOBILE HOME DWELLING on 7/12/21. No progress as of 8/23/21 with temp. permit requirements. **Motion** by Hammontree/Bracy **to approve Zoning Report. Approved.** Complete report on file.

Update on ARPA funds-Gary Smith and Deb Bracy: Letter from Michigan Department of Treasury gives Aug. 31, 2021 as deadline for Twp. submission of application. Twp. Attorney Lillis feels Twp. Board actions, of separate ARPA checking account and attorney preview of ARPA expenditures, are positive. SAMS # not acquired yet. Discussion on extra compensation to Treasurer for extra duties pertaining to handling the ARPA funds, if received. **Motion** by Smith/Olney **to approve \$4000 per year for 2 years, contingent with Twp. ARPA application approval and money received and payable semi-annually on Nov.20 – May 20 payroll dates.** Roll Call Vote: **Smith AYE Brenner AYE Bracy AYE Olney AYE Hammontree AYE. 5 AYE 0 NAY. Approved.**

Other matters: Ck#134979 \$756.56 Title Solutions for 040-031-300-005-02 Summer Taxes, Ck#9275000 \$135 Accident Fund for overpayment of premium, and Ck#11432 \$400 Eagle Funeral Home – Shepard burial fees for Whig Cemetery, all handed over to Treasurer for deposit. **ZBA Appointments: Motion** by Smith/Bracy **to appoint Rod Olney (Chair), Chris Brenner, Eileen VanVleet, Gil Kelly and J.A. Cole to 3 yr. ZBA term, expires 8/24. Approved.** Neil Doty Painting \$500 Bid presented for cleaning of Twp. Hall siding, under lean-to. **Motion** by Olney/Bracy **to approve \$250 cleaning bid by Neil Doty Painting. Approved.**
Meeting adjourned 7:48 P.M.

Submitted by Clerk Linda Hammontree

Supervisor _____