

Butler Township Monthly Board Meeting
July 25, 2022

Call to Order 7:00 PM. Pledge of Allegiance. **Roll Call** of Officers—Present: Supervisor Gary Smith, Trustee Chris Brenner, Treasurer Deb Bracy, Trustee Janis Olney and Clerk Linda Hammontree. Others present: Erica Ewers, Gary Hammontree, Velma and J.A. Cole, Matt Ashenfelter, Eileen VanVleet, Tim Stoll, Steve Rutz, Connie Karney, Barb Rockhold, Don Reid, and Rod Olney.

Brenner/Hammontree **motion to approve June 2022 minutes** and placed on file. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report-Deb Bracy. **General Fund:** Beginning balance @ 4/01/22 \$155,892.08.

Receipts: \$48,168.00. Transfer from ARPA \$ -0-. Transfer from Tax Account \$ -0-.

Expenditures: \$(82,830.12). Balance @ 6/30/22 \$121,229.96. **ARPA Account:** \$81,890.97.

Perpetual Care Fund: Beginning balance @ 4/01/22 \$933.73. Receipts: \$-0- .

Expenditures: \$(-0-). Balance @ 6/30/22 \$933.73. Total cash-on-hand \$204,054.66. Motion by Brenner/Olney to approve Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith/Bracy to **approve extra \$150 bid** from Neil Doty **overage charge** for labor of Township Hall window **painting (2nd story)** and **staining of ramp**. Motion carried.

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

Commissioner's Report-Tim Stoll: Broadband coverage for the County is still being discussed, with no resolution.

Assessor's Report-Erica Ewers: July 12, 2022 e-mail from County Treasurer's office, stating the office will no longer prep or print the Township's tax bills. Principal Residence Exemption (PRE) year around changes to late filed personal property forms, rather than twice a year. July Board-of-Review (July 19, 2022) approved 2 valuation appeals and denied a poverty exemption, due to being over the income allotment. 7 petitions were removed from the JBOR, due to PRE change in processing. Data entry is continuing as is picking up items at Equalization and the Abstract office. Motion by Hammontree/Bracy to approve the Assessor's Report. Motion carried.

Zoning Admin. Report-Matt Ashenfelter: 1 permit issued #0087 to James Williams 716 Stonewillow Lane, 25 X 31 Steel accessory bldg. on concrete slab \$25 permit fee collected. Violations/Complaints D.Drumm , 1064 Jonesville Rd, non-compliant Junk accumulation final notice sent 7/25/22. M&D Bracy , Jonesville Road property Grey Well Service unlawful commercial sign erected on AG parcel (first 2016 permit in error) , sign will be allowed to remain. M&D Bracy, Jonesville Road property Refuge Coffee sign erected on AG property, 2nd notice letter sent 7/25/22. Lopresto conditional permit for temp. mobile home, conditions not met (deadline 1/31/22) Township Attorney legal action for all 3 non-compliants in process. Motion by Hammontree/Brenner to approve Zoning Administrator Report. Motion carried.

Update on Fire Fill Station: \$2477.35 quote for "Apollo" fittings for Fire Fill Station presented by Litchfield Fire Department, requesting Township (ARPA Funds) for the purchase. Motion by Olney/Brenner to support the Township ARPA \$2477.35 funds be used for the Fire Fill Station, parts supplied by Apollo Fire Equipment Co, Romeo MI and Wolfinger's Hardware, Litchfield MI. Motion carried.

Update on Roads-Gary Smith: Gravel road projects to begin 1st of August.

Summer and Winter Tax Roll Responsibilities: Discussion with Branch County Treasurer Steve Rutz, on County not processing Winter and Summer Tax bills and switching them back to Township responsibility, citing the County Treasurer's Office is understaffed.

Other matters: Ck# 110712 Frick's Auto Body and Towing, for 2022/2023 Junk Yard Permit, \$25 handed over to Treasurer for deposit. Complaint presented that ditch & grubbing on Moore Road was not done well.

Meeting adjourned 7:55P.M.

Submitted by Clerk Linda Hammontree

Supervisor _____

Accounts Payable

Butler Township

PREPARED BY:

7/25/22

DATE:

PROJECT TITLE:

CR#	Payee	Reason	Amount
6347	Plerus	Voter ID card - Absent Voter Lists	\$ 222.20
6348	City of Coldwater	7/1/22-7/1/23 GIS Data	1500.00
6349	Litchfield Fire Dept.	1st Qtr. Fire Protection	2643.70
6350	Sekonsha Township	2022/2023 Fire Protection	5500.00
6351	A & A Maintenance Supply	Sup. Hall Furnace Room + Cupboard Clean	350.00
6352	Michigan Tanker	Sup. 2022 Aust Control	11,050.00
6353	Wolfinberger Hardware, Inc.	Sup. Hall Air Conditioner + Outside Faucet	3800.00
6354	Area One Lawn Care	Lawn Maintenance	1250.00
6355	Double E Enterprises	Assessing Services	1033.67
6356	CERES Solutions	Sup. Hall Propane Fill	307.83
6357	Consumers Energy	(prepay) Sup. Hall Electricity	300.00
6358	Eileen VanDleet	July 2022 Board of Review 1 hr.	12.93
6359	Gary Hammonree	July 2022 Board of Review 1 hr.	12.93
6360	J. A. Cole	July 2022 Board of Review 1 hr.	12.93
6361	J. A. Cole	Elections: Training/Certification/Accuracy 4.5 hrs.	58.50
6362	Jannis Olney	Elections: Training/Certification 2.5 hrs.	32.50
6363	Phyllis Laurrell	Elections: Training/Certification 2.5 hrs.	+32.50
Total of bills paid=			\$ 28,119.69