

BUTLER TOWNSHIP MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

February 27, meeting (rescheduled--- held on Mar. 6, 2023)

Call-to-Order 7 P.M. 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: Jeff Haines, Eileen VanVleet, Velma and Jay Cole, Ryan Brown, Kevin Decker, Beth Brenner, Rod Olney and Alan McClellan.

Public Participation: Kevin Decker and associate Ryan Brown, from Decker Insurance (Twp. provider) attended for any questions and provided cookies.

Motion by Olney/Bracy **to approve Jan. 2023 minutes** and placed on file.

Motion carried. **Motion** by Hammontree/Olney **to approve Special Meeting 2/16/23 minutes.** Motion carried.

Budget Amendments: 1) Motion by Smith/Bracy to move \$16,859.29 **ARPA** to Twp. Hall Acct., increasing it to \$37,859.29. Motion carried. 2) Motion by Smith/Bracy to move \$8762.54 **ARPA** to Fire Protection Acct., increasing it to \$76,762.54. Motion carried. 3) Motion by Smith/Olney to move \$35,194.38 **ARPA** to Roads Acct., increasing it to \$126,194.38. Motion carried. 4) Motion by Smith/Olney to move \$ 2203.50 **ARPA** to Elections Acct., increasing it to \$13,203.50. Motion carried. 5) Motion by Hammontree/Brenner to move \$1500 from **General Fund** to Supervisor’s Acct., increasing it to \$10,000. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report-Deb Bracy: **General Fund:** Beginning balance @ 4/01/22 \$155,892.08. Receipts: \$151,250.78. Transfer from ARPA \$ -0-. Transfer from Tax Account \$ 47,648.63. Expenditures: \$(206,941.91). Fire Expenditures: \$(8,762.54). Balance @ 1/31/23 \$139,087.04. **ARPA Account:** \$81,890.97.

Perpetual Care Fund: Beginning balance @ 4/01/22 \$933.73. Receipts: \$10.48. Expenditures: \$(-0-). Balance @ 1/31/23 \$944.21. Total cash-on-hand \$221,922.22. **Motion** by Brenner/Hammontree **to approve Treasurer’s Report.** Motion carried.

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

Ck#	Payee	Reason	Amount
6446	CERES Solutions	Twp. Hall Propane Fill	\$ 609.29
6447	Elections Source	2023 Tabulator and ICX Service Contract	385.00
6448	Linda Hammontree	Calulator	34.46

6449	Double E Enterprises	Assessing Services	1033.67
6450	Decker Agency	Twp. Liability Ins. 2023/2024 premium	4447.00
6451	Accident Fund Ins.	Workers Comp. 2023/2024 premium	759.00
6452	Consumers Energy	Twp. Hall Electricity (Pre-pay)	350.00
6453	Area One Lawn Care	1 Whig burial open/close cremains	175.00
6454	Deborah Bracy	Postage	+ 126.00

Total of bills paid = \$7919.42

Commissioner’s Report-Alan McClellan: Board heard concerns over new 911 Communication system and reinforced it’s desire to resolve, with a briefing to the 911 Board Mar.8. Broadband ROBIN grant funding selection closes the end of March.

Zoning Report-Matt Ashenfelter: Permit # 0104 Amos Steury, Bidwell Road, 44 X 132 Pole barn--\$50 permit fee paid. Permit # 0105 Amos Steury, 1049 Herricksville Road, 44 X 100 Pole barn--\$50 permit fee paid. Land Split -- Jim and Deb Nance, King and Dean Road, 44 acres from newly combined 135 acre parcel, \$50 fee paid. **Motion** by Brenner/Bracy **to approve report**. Motion carried.

Assessor’s Report & 2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines for review-Erica Ewers: Notice of Assessments mailed out Feb. 27th.

March 2023 B-O-R Dates:

Organizational Meeting Tuesday, March 7 at 9 AM (Members and Alternate)
Day 1 Appeals Mon., March 13 - 2 PM to 5 PM & 6 to 9 PM (Members Only)
Day 2 Appeals Tues., March 14 - 9 AM to NOON & 1PM to 4PM (Members Only)

2023 Federal Guidelines for review. BOR ads ran Feb. 22, 23, and 24.

Motion by Bracy/Olney **to approve 2023 Federal Poverty Guidelines** , as presented, **and approve Assessor’s Report**. Motion carried.

2023 Planning Commission appointments: Motion by Hammontree/Bracy **to accept appointments of J.A. Cole, Thomas Waltke and Michelle Reed to Planning Commission** for 3 yrs. terms. Motion carried.

Litchfield Fire Dept. Report-Chris Brenner: 51% of budget used , so far, with a couple of line item changes. Motion by Hammontree/Smith to approve report. Motion carried.

Parking Lot Bid: Motion by Olney/Smith to approve \$10,800 bid from MW Burns Excavating + Concrete, for Twp. Hall parking lot. Roll Call Vote: Brenner NAY Smith AYE Bracy AYE Olney AYE Hammontree AYE. Motion carried.

2023 Road Plan: Complete Ely Rd. 3.7 no cost, E. Herricksville Road 1.43 mile, Besemer Road 1.1 mile, Pell Road 0.97 mile, Noblit Road 1.01 mile, Coplin Road 1.01 mile, totaling 5.52 miles. Motion by Olney/Bracy to accept 2023 Road Plan. Motion carried.

Storage Room bid: Motion by Brenner/Hammontree to approve bid from Triple "J" Construction LLC ,of \$4400, for Storage room -- 6'6" X 13' , OSB on new walls inside and out, paneling on outside walls, 3 row shelves, 3.0 deadbolt and 2 lights inside room, includes supply and labor. Motion carried.

2023 Dust Control: Motion by Smith/Brenner to approve estimated \$13,875 bid for Twp. Dust control, 1 application at \$ 0.15 / gallon to be applied @ 2500 gallons /mile, 37 miles of road surface, by Affordable Driveways LLC. Touch ups free of charge within 30 days of application. Motion carried.

Other matters: Motion by Smith/Olney to approve installation of lighted EXIT signs (3). Motion carried. Ck# 12822 \$175 from Eagle Funeral Home, 1 cremains burial at Whig Cemetery and Ck# 16493 \$78.41 from Local Community Stabilization Authority—Feb. 2023 LCSA Act Distribution, to Treasurer for deposit.

Meeting adjourned 8:53 P.M.

Submitted by Clerk Linda Hammontree

Supervisor _____