

BUTLER TOWNSHIP MONTHLY MEETING

Sept. 23, 2024

Call-to-Order 7:00 P.M. Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call: Present--Supervisor Gary Smith, Treasurer Deb Bracy, Trustee Christopher Brenner and Clerk Linda Hammontree. Trustee Janis Olney absent. Others present: Erica Ewers, Eileen VanVleet, Jeff Haines, Matt Ashenfelter, Carmen Torbet, Alan McClellan, Donna Swanson, Robin and Mike Fullbright and Penny Stewart

Motion by Brenner/Bracy **to accept the August 2024 minutes and place on file.** Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report-Deb Bracy: **General Fund:** Beginning balance @ 4/01/24 \$235,967.12. Receipts: \$ 86,653.02. Transfer from ARPA: \$ (-0-) Transfer from Tax Account \$ (-0-) . Expenditures: \$ (84,544.55). Balance @ 8/31/24 \$238,075.59. **ARPA Account** balance \$3,361.26. **Perpetual Care Fund:** Beginning balance @ 4/01/24 \$946.83. Receipts: \$.58 . Expenditures: \$ (73.01). Balance @ 8/31/24 \$874.40. Total cash on hand: \$242,311.25. **Motion** by Brenner/Hammontree **to accept Treasurer's Report.** Motion carried.

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

Check #	Payee	Reason	Amount
6654	Coldwater Township	Share of Public Notice for 8/6/24 Primary Election	\$ 17.18
6655	Linda Hammontree	Twp. Router/Security Camera&SD Card, and Postage	317.00
6656	Branch County Clerk	Aug. Primary Election Programming and Public Notice	418.80
6657	Postula Computer Services, Inc.	Assessor Twp. Laptop PC	895.00
6658	Double E Enterprises	Assessing Services	1037.17
6659	Parshall Heating & Cooling	Twp. Hall - AC Repair, parts and labor	115.00
6660	Area One Lawn Care	Lawn Maintenance	1500.00
6661	Quincy Fire Assn.	3 rd Qtr. Fire Protection	8750.00
6662	Election Sources	AB Secrecy Sleeve & Accuracy Testing for Aug.2024 Primary	1117.91
6663	Deborah Bracy	Printer Ink	+ 53.99
Total of bills paid =			\$14,222.05

Motion by Bracy/Smith **to establish an Escrow Account** at Century Bank & Trust, **for DTE Cold Creek \$15,000** funds, for extra expenses for Solar farm planning. Roll Call Vote: Brenner AYE Smith AYE Bracy AYE Olney absent Hammontree AYE. 4 AYE 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Commissioner's Report-Alan McClellan: Oct. 12. Tire Re-Cycle at Health Department parking lot 9:30 am to 11 am, 10 maximum. Quotes for Courtroom remodel being accepted. Aquatic Center expands pool use.

Assessor's Report-Erica Ewers: Blankenship Michigan Tax Tribunal Appeal teleconference scheduled for 10/17/24 4P.M. December B-O-R scheduled for 12/10/24 at 9 a.m. Oct. 9 Training class (6hr.) Workplace Violence and Fieldwork Safety still open, \$100 registration fee. Data entry caught up. Picking up data from Equalization and Branch County Abstract on a regular basis. Motion by Hammontree/Bracy to approve Assessor's Report. Motion carried.

Zoning Report for September-Matt Ashenfelter: 4 new permits, 2 special use hearings, ZBA hearing 10/9 7pm, LoPresto Violation standing. Complete report on file. Motion by Hammontree/Bracy to approve report. Approved.

Cemetery Clean up date set for **Nov. 12**, to meet at Twp. Hall 9 a.m.

Motion by Hammontree/Brenner **to accept Planning Commission minutes of 9/9/24.** Motion carried.

Tekonsha Fire Department request: Motion by Smith/Brenner to rescind August 26, 2024 action to approve contribution of \$2500, for increased ambulance service, to the Tekonsha Fire Department. Motion carried. Motion by Smith/Bracy to use ARPA funds for Tekonsha Emergency \$2500 fund request. Motion carried.

Other Matters: Receipt # 515267 \$50 for Frick Twp. Hall rental (cash) to Treasurer for deposit.

Meeting adjourned 7:28 P.M.

Submitted by Clerk Linda Hammontree

Supervisor _____