

Sigel Township
Regular Monthly Meeting
January 15th, 2024

Sigel Township Hall, 5784 Sand Beach Rd, Harbor Beach, MI 48441

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Maurer at 5:01 pm. Board members present: Maurer, Bischer, Essenmacher, Sweeney and Grekowicz. Also in attendance were Fire Fighters Joel Kiehl and Rusty Lemanski.

Minutes were approved from the December 18th, 2023 Meeting. Motion Grekowicz, second Essenmacher to approve minutes. Motion Carried 5-0.

Treasurer Report: General Fund starting balance \$727,126.79. Income of \$32,108.03 and Expenses of \$41,034.44 for an ending balance of \$718,200.56. Fire Fund starting balance \$339,161.44. Income of \$23,971.41 and Expenses of \$4,760.32 for an ending balance of \$358,372.53. Road Fund starting balance \$125,244.61. Income of \$48,050.81 and Expenses of \$1,126.79 for an ending balance of \$172,168.63. Total of all three ending balances of \$1,248,741.72. Motion Essenmacher, second Sweeney to approve all 3 treasurer reports. Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion Bischer, second Grekowicz to pay months bills in the following amounts. General Fund \$41,034.44 checks 1126-1135. Fire Fund \$4,760.32 checks 1843-1859. Road Fund \$1,126.79 check 1067. Motion Carried 5-0.

Supervisor Maurer reported on upcoming projects for 2024 including the asphaltting of Minden Rd north of M-142 to Learman Rd.

Motion Grekowicz, second Sweeney to asphalt Minden Rd North of M-142 to Learman Rd as a Class A road. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion Bischer, second Essenmacher to adopt Resolution 2024.1-2 contracting with Eastern Huron Ambulance to provide coverage to the East side of the Township at a cost of \$10 per resident. Motion passed on a Roll Call vote, 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

Motion Essenmacher, second Bischer to adopt Resolution 2024.1-1, Poverty Exemption Income Guidelines and Asset Test. Motion passed on a Roll Call vote, 5 Ayes and 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

Clerk Bischer reported on the August renewal of the Road Millage. The Law Office of Ferris, Schwedler & O'Mara are reviewing the wording of the Ballot Language.

The board will continue a \$30.00 per month credit to Township residents that provide their own dumpster service or commercial hand stop and do not participate in the Township Wide Garbage Pickup and Service. Those residents will need to provide proof of payment and reimbursement will be provided in the form of a check from the Township.

Clerk Bischer reported on the creation of a Township website. A quote from Civic Clarity was received to build and maintain the website at a cost of \$985 for the first year. Year 2 and year 3 would have a maintenance cost of \$385 in year two and \$450 in year three. No action was taken.

Joel Kiehl reported on Central Huron Ambulance, and they are currently looking at a Special Assessment for funding of the Ambulance. If adopted each resident that Central Huron Ambulance serves would have a charge included in their tax bill for ambulance service.

Firefighters reported on activities in the township and the Christmas Party had good attendance. The 5 new firefighters are doing well in their training.

Motion Essenmacher, second Grekowicz to adjourn meeting. Motion Carried 5-0. Meeting Adjourned at 6:02pm.

Dennis Bischer, Sigel Township Clerk