

Belvidere Township Regular Meeting

April 12, 2023

Supervisor Withey called the regular meeting of the board to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Prayer was given by township resident.

Members Present: Withey- Supervisor, Herzog-Treasurer, Fairris- Clerk, Reynolds-Trustee, Minkel-Trustee

Public was given the opportunity for comment.

Motion by Herzog to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on March 8, 2023. Second by Minkel. Motion carried.

Treasurer gave an account summary update.

Motion by Minkel to pay the bills for the month for \$46,442.17 along with the fire department receipts for \$682. Second by Herzog. Motion carried.

Motion by Herzog to accept the PA116 application for Paul and Joan Main. Second by Reynolds. Motion carried.

Planning Commission Chair, BJ Cogswell, gave update that the planning commission has reviewed their bylaws, they have finished reviewing the solar ordinance and will start drafting the revisions and the natural rivers information was sent to the county on March 24<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Reynolds to accept the special land use permit for the Frank and Tricia Race regarding the old VFW Hall. Second by Herzog. Herzog- yes, Withey- yes, Fairris-yes, Reynolds-yes, Minkel-yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Minkel to accept the changes recommended by the planning commission, **in section 20-1**, regarding building heights and lot coverage. Second by Reynolds. Reynolds- yes, Minkel- yes, Withey- yes, Fairris- yes, Herzog- yes. Motion carried.

Minkel gave an explanation of road projects proposed by the Montcalm County Road Commission for Belvidere Township and reasoning behind why they should be completed. Contracts were assigned a number and discussion took place regarding which contracts to approve. Motion by Minkel to approve the following contracts for a cost of \$343,609.98:

(contract #3) Brush Spray, (contract #4) 40 hours of ditching, (contract #5) asphalt overlay of Derby Rd from M-46 to Fleck Rd, (contract #6) gravel resurface of Edgar Rd from Lake Rd to Hillman Rd, (contract #7) three applications of chloride, (contract #8) asphalt overlay of Hillman Rd from Tamarack Rd to Cutler Rd West, (contract #9) gravel resurface of Miles Rd from M-46 to Cutler Rd, (contract #11) asphalt overlay of Holland Rd from Cutler Rd to North County Line Rd, (contract #12) seal coat of Lake Montcalm Rd from Hillman Rd to Miles Rd

Second by Withey. Reynolds- yes, Withey- yes, Fairris- yes, Herzog- yes, Minkel- yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Minkel to appoint Malachi Herzog to the fire department upon recommendation from the fire department. Second by Withey. Motion carried.

Motion by Withey to put Christmas lights up for the 2023 season in downtown Six Lakes. Second by Herzog. Motion carried.

Motion by Herzog to contribute to the cost of fireworks for the Dizzi Daze Festival. Second by Reynolds. Motion carried.

Motion by Herzog to sign and enter the drafted agreement between the Ethelda A. VanHouten Trust pending approval of the agreement language by the township insurance company. Second by Reynolds. Herzog-yes, Withey-yes, Fairris-yes, Reynolds-yes, Minkel-yes. Motion carried.

Eric VanHouten stated no one can enter the VanHouten property until the agreement has been signed.

Board Comment: Withey noted the date for township cleanup is May 6, 2023 from 8 a.m. to noon, Herzog noted there is a ZBA meeting on April 24, 2023 at 6 p.m., Fairris noted there is an election on May 2, 2023 for 911 surcharge and that the office will be open the Saturday and Sunday prior to the election, Minkel noted there have been many road drainage complaints that she has followed up on along with some landscape issues from snow plowing

Public comment was given.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Next regular board meeting is May 10, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tarin Minkel, Trustee

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Armon Withey, Supervisor