Ellsworth Township

REGULAR MEETING April 12th, 2021

President Allen Dean called the meeting to order @ 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Brittany Carlson, Kimberly Pendley, Patrick Chachulski, Sharon Baker, Allen Dean

Visitor's Present: Robert Long, Sherry Sheele, Connie Holmes, and Rich Martin

Carlson made a motion to accept the agenda dated April 12, 2021 with an addition of 10. General Fund Budget, 2nd by Chachulski. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes from the meeting held on March 29th 2021 were not presented. The clerk will have them for next meeting.

Public Comment- Sherry Sheele approached the council to discuss the elementary school the Village of Luther recently purchased. The village is asking both townships (Ellsworth and Newkirk) if they want to rejoin the village in continuing with the original plan of potentially using the building in the future. Carlson motioned Ellsworth Township rejoin the Village forming a building committee of all three municipalities. Only if Newkirk Township also agrees. 2nd by Chachulski. -RC-Yes- Pendley, Dean, Baker, Carlson, Chachulski. -No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Financial report was given with the following balances: General Fund \$117,047.69; Tax Account \$1.32; Fire Operating Account \$42,243.13; Fire Equipment Account \$88,661.02; Fire Hall Debt \$101.06; Township Roads Account \$48,401.18; Nichoson CD \$2,920.98. A motion was made by Carlson, 2nd by Chachulski to approve the financial statement as presented. -RC-Yes- Pendley, Dean, Baker, Carlson, Chachulski. -No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment—

Committee Reports-

Library- The minutes were presented to the board.

Cemetery- Discussion was held on Mike Dempkey taking care of the cemeteries, he said he will not be doing it this year. Discussion was held on finding someone new to care for the cemeteries. The township uses Johnsons for lawn care. The council will look into responsibilities of the lawn care service and ask around for anyone interested in taking care of the cemeteries in the township.

Fire Department- Minutes were presented.

Area Clean-up- Scheduled for the 4th Saturday in August.

Bills- Carlson made a motion, 2nd by Chachulski to pay the bills with an addition of reimbursement of \$423.99 to Kim Pendley for Quickbooks. Roll call vote –Yes-Dean, Carlson, Chachulski, Baker -No- None -Abstain- Pendley. Motion Carried.

Roads- Nothing

Sherriff- Rich Martin updated the council with the sheriffs report of all the happenings in the county. He has also started another fundraiser selling patches for three different fundraisers.

General Fund Budget- (Attached) A general Fund budget was presented by Treasurer Pendley, Carlson made a motion to accept the proposed budget, 2nd by Chachulski. -RC-Yes- Pendley, Dean, Baker, Carlson, Chachulski. -No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hall- IT person- Chachulski offered to help with computer issues and other things for the hall.

Public Comment- Discussion was held on Allen Dean needing a laptop for him to use for township purposes. Chachulski motioned for Allen Dean to spend up to \$700 on a laptop, 2nd by Pendley. -RC-Yes- Pendley, Dean, Baker, Carlson, Chachulski. -No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Chachulski, 2nd by Dean to adjourn. All in favor!

Meeting adjourned 7:54pm

Brittany Carlson Ellsworth Township Deputy Clerk