

Ellsworth Township

REGULAR MEETING

October 11th, 2021

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Supervisor Allen Dean called the meeting to order @ 7:04 p.m.

Members Present: Supervisor Allen Dean, Clerk Brittany Carlson, Treasurer Kimberly Pendley, Trustees Patrick Chachulski, and Allen Greenman.

Members Absent: None

Visitor's Present: Township Assessor Linda Monroe, Ron Monroe, Sheriff Rich Martin, Connie Holmes.

Chachulski made a motion to accept the agenda dated October 11th, 2021 with the addition of 13. New Business A. Carpet. 2nd by Greenman. All in favor, Motion Carried.

Public Comment— Sheriff Martin told the council about how on October 1st 2021 most Federal Forest Roads opened to ORVs. A map is still needed because not all roads are open but most did. Also, there were less people in Lake County this 2020 census compared to the 2010 census. Causing some of the County Commissioners districts to change.

The Financial report dated September 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021 was given with the following balances: General Fund \$109,145.12; Tax Account \$8,276.83; Fire Operating Account \$18,701.23; Fire Equipment Account \$91,150.04; Fire Hall Debt \$1,6632.24; Township Roads Account \$46,037.26; Nichoson CD \$2,920.98. A motion was made by Carlson, 2nd by Chachulski to approve the financial statement as presented. –Roll Call Vote- Yes- Pendley, Chachulski, Carlson, Greenman, Dean –No- None. All in favor. Motion carried.

Bills- Intuit QuickBooks \$8.48 (#EFT); Double J Lawncare Plus LLC \$685.00 (#6292) \$685.00 (#6299); Walmart \$91.05 (Debit); Menards \$54.64 (Debit); Verizon \$200.38 (#6291); Election Source \$333.85 (Debit); Consumers Energy \$42.16 (#6290); Staples \$386.51 (Debit)

Greenman made a motion, 2nd by Chachulski to approve the Minutes dated August 9th, 2021. –Roll Call Vote- Yes- Pendley, Chachulski, Carlson, Greenman, Dean. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chachulski made a motion to pay the bills, 2nd by Dean –Roll Call Vote- Yes-Pendley, Chachulski, Carlson, Greenman, Dean. –No- None. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Committee Reports-

Library- Nothing

Cemetery- The two roads at Pleasant Hill Cemetery and Valley Cemetery need to be addressed. Carlson made a motion to spend up to \$2,000.00 on crushed concrete for Pleasant Hill Cemetery and East Ellsworth Cemetery roads. 2nd by Chachulski. Roll Call vote -Yes- Carlson, Chachulski, Dean, Pendley, Greenman. -No- None. Motion Carried.

Fire Department- Minutes were presented.

Area Clean-up- The bill for The Area Clean up was sent to Newkirk, they will figure out what we owe and send an invoice. Newkirk already has the money from the scrap collected at the Area Clean up.

Roads- Nothing

Old Business – Pendley received an email from John Trimberger with a copy of Norman Township in Manistee. Norman Township is about the size of Ellsworth. The blight ordinance is being looked over by the council.

Greenman is going to look into how we would spray the township for Gypsy Moths. Allen Dean contacted the DNR and asked if they were going to spray anything this coming year and they are not. There was discussion on how much it would help if the DNR isn't spraying. The council discussed sending a note in the winter taxes for the constituents to decide if they want their parcels sprayed. We will have more information next month.

Carlson will run an ad in the newspaper to find bids for snow removal in front of the township hall.

New Business- Carlson approached the council with some carpet samples for the office. The old voting booths were removed this month in preparation of putting the Clerks desk in the office. Chachulski made a motion to spend up to \$400.00 on carpet and supplies to lay the carpet. 2nd by Dean. Roll Call vote -Yes- Pendley, Carlson, Chachulski, Pendley, Dean, Greenman. -No- None. Motion Carried.

Public Comment-

A motion was made by Carlson, 2nd Chachulski to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. All in favor! Motion carried. .

Meeting adjourned 7:45pm

Brittany Carlson
Ellsworth Township Clerk