**Fredonia Township Board Regular Meeting**

**July 15, 2024 6:30 PM**

**Fredonia Township Hall**

**8803 17 Mile Rd, Marshall, MI 49068**

MINUTES

**BOARD MEMBERS present:** Doug Damon, Supervisor Cathy Combs, Clerk JC Skowron, Treasurer  Kyler Speaker, Trustee Terry Day, Trustee

STAFF present: Phil Damon, Fire Chief  Jacob Washburn, Deputy Supervisor/FD Training Officer  George Crandall, Twp. Planning Committee

Terry Travis, Code Enforcement Officer

**CALL TO ORDER:** Doug Damon called meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE:** Led by all

**Agenda Additions/Deletions:** Asphalt Solutions

**Guests:**

Bob Overly – Candidate for County Commissioner – District 6: Advised here to represent our township as County Commissioner. He believes in working for the residents and being transparent. He has concerns regarding bond issue, taking debt over for the roads. When asked if for or against Mega site, states it is here and need to work with what has been presented to us. Early voting starts 7/27/24.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**  City of Marshall provided a letter that they are working on their master plan.

**MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MONTH:** June 17, 2024, Budget Hearing; June 17, 2024 – Regular Board Meeting; and Budget Hearing on 6-25-24;

T. Day made a motion and JC Skowron supported to approve the minutes as printed for the June 17 regular board meeting and June 17, 2024 budget hearing. Correction needed to show motion to approve budget hearing on June 25, 2024 and will be amended for the August meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVED AS READ**

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

J. Skowron provided monthly financial reports along with a copy of updated budget for the board to review.

**FILE FOR AUDIT**

**READING OF THE BILLS by C. Combs**

C. Combs provided 2 check registers for the board to review. One for May and one thru July 14, 2024. K. Speaker made a motion and T. Day supported to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVED AS READ**

**REPORTS:**

**FIRE:** There were 4 fire and 8 medical calls for the month of June 2024. Training for the month included water supply and wrecker service.

**CEMETERY:** D. Damon states 1 burial. There are 2 headstones being fixed and new foundation poured at Lutheran cemetery. Flags have been removed and more flag holders will be needed prior to next year.

**ROADS:** This year projects have been completed except for striping. Next meeting is August 8, 2024.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:** T. Travis if following up on a couple of complaints.

**PLANNING:** There will be 2 public hearings held on July 17 and rezoning a few areas.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**\*Short Term Rentals:** D. Damon is working with lake association and will report back in August.

**\*Road Agreement-Newton:** D. Damon spoke to Chris at Newton Township who advised that the south part of the road is worse than he thought. Christine with the road department states the bridge would be leveled out. T. Day provided information found on their website for the definition of Chip and Seal. D. Damon will continue to reach out to Road Commission and Newton Township.

**\*14 ½ Mile Road:** Still reviewing

**\*Township Salaries:** The board reviewed at the budget hearing and propose the following:

**SALARY RESOLUTION #24-2**

WHEREAS, according to MCL 41.95(3), in a township that does not hold an annual meeting, the salary for officers composing the township board shall be determined by the township board; and

WHEREAS, the township board deems that an adjustment in the salary of the office of Fredonia Township (Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer and Trustee) is warranted;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that as of July 1, 2024, the salary of the office of Fredonia Township (Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer and Trustee) shall be as follows:

Supervisor: $9,000 salary (not directly performing assessing)

Clerk: $18,500 salary

Treasurer: $17,500 salary

Trustee: $100 per meeting

BOR $60

ZBA/Planning

$40 Chair

$35

Sexton $200

The foregoing resolution offered by board member Cathy Combs.

Supported by board member Kyler Speaker.

Upon a roll call vote, the following voted: Aye: JC Skowron, T. Day, K. Speaker, C. Combs D. Damon No: N/A

The supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

C. Combs, Clerk

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Asphalt Solutions:** We received a quote to repair cracks, seal coat and re-stripe the lines for the township in the amount of $3938.00. T. Day made motion to approve the quote from Asphalt Solutions and C. Combs supported. Motion carried unanimously.

Board moved into closed session 7:23 p.m. to discuss personnel issue and out of closed session at 7:50 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (for any new issues)**

**\*Water dam from a driveway over a wetland on US Highway 27**

**\*Sign on 27 stating road closed – which road?**

**CLOSED SESSION:**

**BOARD COMMENT (TIME LIMIT-3 MINUTES PER ISSUE PER PERSON)**: None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM

Minutes prepared by C. Combs

Cathy Combs, Township Clerk \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: July 28, 2024

Doug Damon, Township Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: