

**ORANGEVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**December 6, 2022**

**Meeting called to order at 7pm. All board members present with exception of Trustee Kraai, absent with notice. Fire Chief Ribble absent with notice. Commissioner Conner and one guest.**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Motion Trustee Ribble to approve the November 1<sup>st</sup> board meeting minutes. Support Treasurer Ritchie, all ayes, motion carried.**

**Treasurer's Report:**

**November receipts \$2,873.99**

**November disbursements \$20,753.41**

**November balance \$1,158,810.95**

**Report on file**

**Motion Trustee Ribble to pay \$31,934.31 and any forth coming bills in the month of December. Support Clerk Risner, all ayes, motion carried.**

**Supervisor Rook supplied board members with letter from Jack Ward regarding Superior Asphalt Project on Keller Rd.**

**Correspondence:**

**Letter from Sexton Josh Wickham with price increases. Board discussion, Clerk Risner to send letter stating township contract pricing and that no price increases until contract expires on March 31, 2023.**

**Email from Bureau of Elections, putting a hold on FOIA's until after partial state recount and notification from them to allow FOIA information regarding elections to be released.**

**Board of canvasser county results; Orangeville was ok'd.**

**Purchase of laptop for elections; Clerk Risner to submit Election Security Grant reimbursement.**

**Barry County Road Commission email regarding annual meeting.**

**Motion Clerk Risner to set tentative date of January 3, 2023 at 6 pm for meeting with BCRC. Support Trustee Ribble, all ayes, motion carried.**

**Fire Dept. Report given by Trustee Ribble:**

**6 fires, 16 medical**

**Report on file**

**Commissioner's Report:**

**Commission Conner reported on county appointments, resolutions, contracts and meetings attended.**

**Resolution 22-15 economic impact payment payout amounts.**

**Report on file**

**Public Comment:**

**Question on what ARPA funds are being used for.**

**New Business:**

**Board approved Dennis Moore purchasing memorial bench donation to park. Park committee to determine placement.**

**Budget amendments discussed.**

**Motion Clerk Risner to amend budget in amounts of revenues increase; State Grant \$1090, and reimbursements \$2000, and an increase expenditures in ARPA fund of \$5250. Support Treasurer Ritchie, all ayes, motion carried.**

**Motion Trustee Ribble to approve 2023 township calendar as submitted. Support Treasurer Ritchie, all ayes, motion carried.**

**Motion to reappoint Jodi Patrick, Robert Chase and Tony Halloran to 2023 board of review. Support Treasurer Ritchie, all ayes, motion carried. Clerk Risner will give them their oaths.**

**Old Business:**

**Motion Clerk Risner to authorize Consumers Power to send letters to residents for possible natural gas lines to run north from township hall on Lindsey Rd, to 9 Mile Rd, then west to Marsh Rd. (Orangeville). Support Treasurer Ritchie, all ayes, motion carried. Note 70 percent must respond they will hook up. If this fails, then board will make request Consumers' sends letter to residents on alternate route of Lindsey, between Lewis and 9 Mile Road.**

**Motion Treasurer Ritchie to award lowest bid of Brown Cemetery tree trimming to Ritchie's Tree Service. Support Clerk Risner, all ayes, motion carried.**

**Motion Clerk Risner to award lowest bidder Kraai Well Drilling with well on Oak Hill Cemetery and make partial payment to secure material prices with installation and final payment made out of next year's budget in April 2023. Support Treasurer Ritchie, all ayes, motion carried. Possible budget amendment, to be determined.**

**Supervisor Rook reported he has not received bid on crushed asphalt for Veteran's Memorial drive/parking area. This to possibly be paid with ARPA funds.**

**Board Comment:**

**Clerk Risner reported she had been contacted by MSP Detective Sgt. David Geyer regarding the Sherriff Dar Leaf investigation.**

**Motion to adjourn, meeting adjourned 8:35 pm**

**Unapproved Minutes**

**Mel Risner/Clerk**