

**MARKEY TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**March 13, 2023**

Regular meeting of the Markey Township Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board members present: Trustee Bell, Clerk Tussey, Treasurer Engle and Trustee Donaldson. Absent: Supervisor Pray. Twelve people in attendance and three on Zoom.

**Motion** by Tussey, seconded by Engle that Trustee Donaldson chair the meeting in the absence of the Supervisor. All in favor. MC,

**Motion** by Donaldson, seconded by Engle to approve the consent agenda to include minutes of the regular meeting of February 13, 2023 and special meeting minutes of February 28, March 2, and March 6, 2023 and the Treasurer's report and bills to include Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes \$45.00. All in favor. MC.

**Public Comments:** Resident wants deer crossing signs on Flint Rd.

**Correspondence:** None

**Reports:**

**Ordinance Administrator:** February report was read and filed.

**Planning Commission:** Met March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Report read and filed.

**Fire Department:** 19 EMS runs, 8 Fire runs for the month of February 2023.

**Assessing Dept.:** Report was read and filed.

**Parks & Recreation Advisory Board:** Report was read and filed.

**Business Items:**

Chief announced that Ken Elmore retired as of 3-10-23. Thank you, Ken for your service. Lights have been installed on the outside of the Fire Department.

**Motion** by Donaldson, seconded by Engle that we hire Sierra Parks to the Fire Department contingent on her passing a physical, a drug screening and a background check. All in favor. MC.

**Motion** by Donaldson, seconded by Engle that we re-hire Justin Devins to the Fire Department contingent on him passing a physical, a drug screening and a background check. Three ayes, one nay. MC.

**Motion** by Tussey, seconded by Donaldson to accept the Fire/Ems Monthly Pay Rates as presented (as **CORRECTED**). See attached. All in favor. MC.

**Motion** by Tussey, seconded by Donaldson to approve the purchase and installation of six electrical cord reels for \$1800 for the fire hall. All in favor. MC.

**Motion** by Donaldson, seconded by Bell that we hire Man & Machine for the tree removal at the township hall and the cemetery at a cost of \$3450. All in favor. MC.

We only received one bid for lawn mowing. We will put another ad in the paper and look at bids at our April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

A copy of the Par Plan Insurance Policy and Invoice was passed out to each of the board members. We will discuss it at our special meeting, March 22, 2023.

**Resolution** confirming appointment of member representative to the Michigan Township Participating Plan was offered by Donaldson and supported by Bell to appoint Clerk Tussey. Roll Call vote: Ayes – Bell, Engle, Donaldson, and Tussey. Nays – none. Absent: Pray. Resolution approved. See attached Resolution.

**Motion** by Donaldson, seconded by Tussey to increase the deputy clerk and deputy treasurers' wages to \$14.50 an hour for the 2023-2024 year. All in favor. MC.

We will discuss maintenance wages at our special meeting, March 22, 2023.

**Resolution #3 of 2023** to approve financial institutions the township treasure will do business with in fiscal year 4-1-2023 to 3-31-2024 was offered by Engle, seconded by Tussey. Roll call vote: Ayes – Engle, Donaldson, Tussey, and Bell. Nays – none. Absent: Pray. See attached Resolution.

**Motion** by Bell, seconded by Donaldson that we approve budget adjustments as presented. All in favor. MC. See attached.

A **Resolution** was offered by Clerk Tussey, seconded by Trustee Donaldson to set the meeting dates for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Roll call vote: Ayes – Donaldson, Tussey, Bell and Engle. Nays – none. Absent: Pray. Resolution approved. Meeting dates are posted.

**Motion** by Donaldson, seconded by Bell to approve the purchase and installation of a ventilation hood and system for the kitchen to be installed over the gas stove from Grand

Traverse Refrigeration (Stafford-Smith, Inc., TC) in the amount of \$31, 842. All in favor. MC.

Public Hearing set for March 22, 2023 at 6:00pm at the Markey Township Hall.

**Announcements:** Next regular meeting is April 10, 2023 at 7:00pm. We're accepting donations for our garage sale to be held on May 27, 2023. We're still accepting bottle/can donations. MTA Educational Conference is April 17-20, 2023 in Traverse City.

**Motion** by Donaldson, seconded by Bell to adjourn at 8:28pm. All in favor. MC.

Minutes taken by:  
Sheryl Tussey, Clerk  
Approved by Board