

MARKEY TOWNSHIP BOARD
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2024

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

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily to approve the consent agenda to include minutes of the regular meeting of February 12, 2024 with corrections, special meeting of February 15, 2024 and bills to include Summit Fire Protection for \$275 and to not include Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes for \$1815. All in favor. MC.

Public Comments: Resident, Dave would like a second public comment period added to the meeting. Resident would like to know if we have a hiring scale for new employees. We do not have anything official but it is something that is considered when hiring someone new.

Correspondence: UHY Re: ARPAS Reporting Date, Pontem Software cost increase, Sergeant's Septic & Excavating cost increase for digging graves

Reports:

Ordinance Administrator: February report was read and filed.

Planning Commission: Met March 7th.

Fire Department: 11 EMS runs, 16 Fire runs for the month of February 2024.

Assessing Dept.: Report was read and filed.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board: Ralph Kitchen gave report. Did not meet in February. Opportunity to be partners with DTE in a Michigan ReLeaf Program to get 20 free trees for the parks.

Business Items:

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily to get 731 Ambulance repaired at a cost up to \$5,000 at Fick & Sons. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Tussey, seconded by Donaldson to order a new Stryker cot for the ambulance at a cost of \$12,000. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily to hire Mike Tussey to paint the interior of the Fire Department at a cost of \$8700. Ayes - Donaldson and Bendily and Clerk Tussey abstained. MC.

May 18, 2024 there will be a car wash at the Fire Department from 11:00am-3:00pm.

Motion by Tussey, seconded by Bendily to authorize the Markey Township Clerk to submit the following described properties for review as possible violations pursuant to the Markey Township Dangerous Building Ordinance #50, parcel number 72-008-005-001-0020, commonly known as 519 W Higgins Lk Dr., Roscommon, MI 48653 and parcel number 72-008-385-090-0000, commonly known as 113 Shady Grove, Roscommon, MI 48653 and parcel number 72-008-017-014-0200, commonly known as 3358 N Flint Rd, Roscommon, MI 48653. All in favor. Motion carried.

A **Resolution** was offered by Supervisor Donaldson, seconded by Trustee Bendily to establish the **Clerk's salary at \$36,078** for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. On a roll call vote, the following voted Aye: Donaldson, Bendily, Tussey. No nays. Absent: Engle & Bell. Resolution passed.

A **Resolution** was offered by Trustee Bendily, seconded by Clerk Tussey to establish the **Supervisor's salary at \$24,940** for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. On a roll call vote, the following voted Aye: Tussey, Donaldson, Bendily. No nays. Absent: Engle & Bell. Resolution passed.

A **Resolution** was offered by Supervisor Donaldson, seconded by Trustee Bendily to establish the **Treasurer's salary at \$31,941** for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. On a roll call vote, the following voted Aye: Donaldson, Bendily, Tussey. No nays. Absent: Engle & Bell. Resolution passed.

A **Resolution** was offered by Supervisor Donaldson, seconded by Clerk Tussey to establish the **Trustee's salaries at \$5,530 each** for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. On a roll call vote, the following voted Aye: Bendily, Tussey, Donaldson. No nays. Absent: Engle & Bell. Resolution passed.

A **Resolution** to rescind the Supervisors salary of \$24,940 was offered by Donaldson and supported by Bendily because the amount was incorrect. All in favor. MC.

A **Resolution** was offered by Trustee Bendily, seconded by Clerk Tussey to establish the **Supervisor's salary at \$23,752** for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. On a roll call vote, the following voted Aye: Tussey, Donaldson, Bendily. No nays. Absent: Engle & Bell. Resolution passed.

Resolution #3 of 2024 to approve the financial institutions the Township Treasurer will do business with in fiscal year 4-1-2024 to 3-31-2025 was offered by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily. Roll call vote: Ayes – Tussey, Donaldson, Bendily. No nays. Absent: Engle & Bell. See attached Resolution.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Tussey to table budget adjustments. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Bendily, seconded by Tussey that we appoint Brian Vaughn to the Planning Commission until March 31, 2026. He must take the Oath of Office within 10 days. All in favor. MC.

We did not get any Leaf pick up bids.

Motion by Bendily, seconded by Tussey to hire A Touch of Care Landscaping for lawn care at Crestview Cemetery at a rate of \$550 each time. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Tussey, seconded by Donaldson to approve the Scheduled Time Off form with amendments. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Tussey, seconded by Donaldson to table the Land Use Administrator's job description. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily to table the Short Term Rental Coordinator's job description. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily to choose Option B (.75/parcel) for the Cost of Services we receive from the Roscommon County Equalization Dept. for 2024-2025 fiscal year. All in favor. MC.

Special Meeting will be March 18, 2024 at 6:00pm to finalize the 2024-2025 Budget.

Public Hearing on the 2024-2025 budget will be March 27, 2024 at 7:00pm during a Special Meeting.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily that we accept Andrea Kitchen's resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals. All in favor. MC.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily that we join DTE's ReLeaf program. All in favor. MC.

We need to discuss the renewal of our Road Millage.

Announcements: We are still accepting bottle/can donations. Next regular meeting is April 8, 2024 at 7:00pm.

Motion by Donaldson, seconded by Bendily to adjourn at 8:26pm. All in favor. MC.

Minutes taken by:
Sheryl Tussey, Clerk
Approved by the Board