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Van Buren County, MI.
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Georgette Peterson, Trustee
Ted Swanson, Trustee

March 16, 2022

Call meeting to order: 07:00p.m.

Roll call of officers: Koshar, De Leo, Miller, Peterson, Swanson.

Pledge of Allegiance: Was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Swanson motion to approve agenda with two additions, Senior Services ballot request and Township annual Budget. Peterson supports.

Roll call: Peterson yea, De Leo yea, Miller yea, Swanson yea, Koshar yea, Motion carried.

Law Enforcement Report: Deputy Torres reported on 39 calls in Township. A busy month and he is requesting anyone who sees something suspicious to call the Sheriff's Department.

Fire Department: Chief Babcock reported 3 calls in Arlington, with 82 calls year to date. Special meeting March 30, 2022 for the purpose to adopt the annual budget. New uniforms have been ordered for fire fighters.

Pride Care Ambulance: No report given.

Commissioner's Report: Broad Band survey will be conducted in county. A grant for public transit was approved.

Tax Assessor's Report: Danielle Golembiewski gave a full report on assessment being mailed out. Board of Review was held for tax year 2022.

Senior Services: The new center is open and anxious for visitors. New center has pickle ball courts, cafeteria, meeting room and will do health checks.

Clerk's Report:

Training for election inspectors has been set for July 14, from 6p.m. to 9 p.m. I will

need an application for anyone who wants to work as an inspector. Three elections this year.

Supervisor's Report: Road tour conducted and several suggestions were offered from the County Road Commission. Board has reviewed and will comment.

Treasurer's Report: Current balance as of March 01, 2022 \$95,490.61, Receipt total \$37,175.00, Expenditures \$77,118.39, Balance as of March 16, 2022, \$55,548.22. Tax collection is complete and just waiting for county to finalize. Phil Pitts is no longer going to be the deputy and Matt Miller will be sworn in the first of April, 2022.

A motion by Swanson to accept financial report and pay invoices, plus one late invoice from Accident Fund of Michigan in the amount of \$1,671.00. Support by Trustee Peterson. Roll call: Koshar yea, De Leo yea, Peterson yea, Miller yea, Swanson yea. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of February 16, 2022.

Motion by Koshar supported by Swanson to accept minutes as presented.

Roll Call: motion carried

Consent Agenda: Motion by De Leo, supported by Swanson to approve consent agenda. Motion Carried.

New Business:

1. Township Sexton Position: One bid was presented and not in a sealed envelope from Gregory's Plastic Fence and Sexton Services. Sexton's position was tabled by a motion from De Leo, supported by Peterson until the April meeting. Motion carried.

2. Old Grove Barn: Site plan was accepted and approved. Motion by Koshar to approve Special Use Permit after permits from Road Commission, Health Department, Drain Commission, and Fire Department are completed. Supported by Swanson. Motion Carried.

3. Planning Commission: The board has recommended the planning commission meet on a quarterly schedule, adopt by-laws and work on zoning maps and changes to ordinances. Master Plan revisions can start after January 2024.
4. Cure of the Earth: Mr. Chris Passmore has requested that he be able to move fence surrounding his marijuana planting. He is not increasing the size of planting but only moving fence and grow area. An administrative decision was made approved by Attorney to allow him to move fence being able to use new ground but not increasing his plant area.
5. Road Work: Accept the county road commission's recommendations to do seal coating, wedging and crack repair was accepted.
6. Budgets: General Fund Budget, Building and Inspections Budget, Road Budget, Fire Department Budget, and Senior Services Budget was approved by a roll call vote. De Leo yea, Koshar yea, Swanson yea, Peterson yea, Miller yea.
7. Van Buren County Recycling: A motion to approve a donation in the amount of \$1000.00 for partnership in recycling initiative. Motion carried.
8. Senior Services of Van Buren County: Motion by De Leo, supported by Swanson to accept millage ballot language: *Shall the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes and Public Act 39 of 1976, within the Township of Arlington be increased to 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1000 of taxable value) for the purpose of providing funds to be paid to Senior Services of Van Buren County, Inc. for providing activities and general senior services pursuant to the public Act 39 of 1976 for individuals 60 years of age or older; and shall the Township be authorized to levy such increase in millage for said purpose thereby raising in the first year an estimated \$69,406.30. Roll Call Vote: De Leo yea, Swanson yea, Miller yea, Koshar yea, Peterson yea.*

Old Business:

1. Black River Botanicals 26980 CR 215, Bangor: Site plan was submitted and a recommendation to approve one class A license and one class B license and approve the Special Use Permit only on Stage 1 of construction.

Roll Call: Miller yea, De Leo yea, Swanson yea, Koshar yea, Peterson yea. Motion carried.

2. Purple Valley: Landscape plan was received on March 9, 2022, but no one was present to explain plan. The topic will come up again on the April meeting.

3. Quality Cannabis, 47200 48st Lawrence: The EGLE report has not been released as of 03/16/2022 still hopeful by the end of March.

4. Green Mitten: Has approval of EGLE and all permits have been submitted.

5. April 6, 2022 a special meeting has been called with a 06:00p.m. start time.

6. Telephone use: A motion by Swanson to pay up to \$60.00 a month for a new cell phone for township use only and \$30.00 for prior personal phone use. Support by De Leo. Motion carried.

7. Community Building Roof: Just unbelievable how long this issue has taken to complete. A bid by Justin Gordon for \$650 dollars for two rolls of ice diverters on each side of building has been submitted. Motion by Swanson, supported Miller. Motion carried.

Adjournment by Supervisor Koshar at 09:30p.m.

Minutes submitted by Clerk Douglas De Leo.

