

Bloomingtondale Township Regular Board Meeting #653

109 E. Kalamazoo St., Bloomingtondale, MI 49026

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

MINUTES:

1. The Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Lisowski at 7:00pm
2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.
3. Members Present: Supervisor Jim Lisowski, Clerk Melanie Kelly, Treasurer Melissa Blackson, Trustee Brett Johnson, Trustee Pete Fritz
4. Motion by Fritz Supported by Lisowski to accept the Amended Agenda and Consent Agenda Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
5. PUBLIC HEARING for Muskrat Lake Special Assessment Renewal; No objections were heard at this hearing.
6. Motion by Fritz Supported by Johnson to Accept the Meeting Minutes from the December 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried.
7. Motion by Kelly Supported by Johnson to Accept the Treasurer Report as given by Treasurer Blackson (\$1,242,858.53 combined total) Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
8. Public Comments were heard
9. Motion by Johnson Supported by Fritz to Approve payment of invoices over \$500.00- Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
 - a. Bloomingtondale Communications \$533.69
 - b. Best Way Disposal (transfer station) \$1,810.00
 - c. Spectrum Printers (election exterior envelopes/secretary sleeves) \$575.94
 - d. Spectrum Printers (County wide mass mailing EV post cards) \$1,544.64
 - e. Van Buren County Sheriff's Department (blight officer) \$811.67
10. Pending Business:
 - a. Van Buren County Commissioners report given by Dick Godfrey
 - b. Assessor's Report (written) read by Supervisor Lisowski
 - c. Fire Department Report given by Fire Chief Chris Serdel
 - d. Life Ambulance Report given by John Pinkster
 - e. Van Buren County Road Commission Report given by Doug Burleson (no news)
 - f. Van Buren County Sheriff's report unavailable
11. Tabled Business:
 - a. Motion by Kelly Supported by Johnson to table the Short Term Rental ordinance to make verbiage changes to 3 Separate parts of ordinance. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried

- b. Motion by Kelly Supported by Johnson to renegotiate Library contract and to use Village of Bloomingdale Lawyer to litigate said negotiations with the Township of Bloomingdale to pay for half of costs incurred. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried

12. New Business:

- a. Bids to buy F350 Fire Truck- One bid received from Brian Mead for \$855.00- Motion by Johnson Supported by Fritz to accept bid. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried. Title to truck to be turned over to purchaser upon receipt of monies.
- b. Bids to purchase retired 1983 Draft Fire Truck- One bid received from Chris Serdel for \$1000.00- Motion by Johnson Supported by Fritz to accept bid. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion carried. Title to be turned over upon receipt of monies.
- c. Motion by Fritz Supported by Lisowski to Approve the 4th Quarter Budget Amendments as given by Clerk Kelly. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
- d. Motion by Blackson Supported by Lisowski to continue with issuance of DUMP PASSES per address (2 per year)2024 in lieu of free dump day. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
- e. Motion by Fritz Supported by Blackson to approve the funds not to exceed \$15,000.00(H&S) for the Conversion of equipment from old grass rig F350 Fire truck to new grass rig F350 Fire truck. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
- f. Motion by Fritz Supported by Kelly to approve repairs to the F450 Rescue Fire truck. Repairs not to exceed \$4000.00. Roll Call Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried
- g. Motion by Kelly Supported by Blackson to Declare Resolution for Muskrat Lake Weed Control Project Special Assessment # 24-117 Adopted.
Yeas: Johnson- Fritz – Blackson -Lisowski -Kelly
Nays: NONE Motion Carried

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14. Supervisor Lisowski adjourned Meeting @ 7:50pm Voice Vote; All Ayes Motion Carried

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