Laird Township Board

Regular Meeting Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Supervisor Patrick McLaren called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m. Present were Supervisor Patrick McLaren, Clerk Robin Henry, Treasurer Nicole Krajnak, Trustee John Juntunen, and Trustee Patricia Spencer.

The Minutes of the February 8, 2023 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Spencer and seconded by Trustee Juntunen to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting. With all in favor, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Juntunen and supported by Trustee Spencer to accept the Treasurer's Report and authorize payment of the bills. With all in favor, motion carried.

Fire Department Report – There was one call on February 24, 2023 to assist with a traffic accident.

Transfer Station Report – Tuesday evening hours will begin May 2, 2023.

Constable Report – Constable Peterson has completed the annual liquor inspection.

<u>Ice Rink Report</u> – The warm weather has affected the ice. Shade cloth on the south side of the rink would be helpful.

<u>Assessor</u>: The board of Review organization meeting was held. The Board of Review will meet on March 14th from 9a.m. – 3 p.m. and March 16th from 3 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Public Comment:

- There was discussion on how agricultural designations affect taxable values of property.
- The snowmobile trail needs to go through Laird Township to help tourism and the Church in the Valley.
- The township website is making positive changes and the upcoming bids will be posted on it.

Old Business:

A Scrap Tire Grant would work best on May 27, 2023, which is the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend. Supervisor McLaren will try to secure that date.

New Business:

- An outdoor spigot has been suggested at the Fire Hall that could be used by the ice rink. Chief Juntunen has approved this. A motion was made by Trustee Spencer, supported by Trustee Juntunen to install the spigot. The cost of components will be minimal. J. Ploskonka will purchase the components from ALK and install it.
- C. Glisson would like to hold exercise classes at the township hall on Thursdays. After some discussion, it was agreed that there will be no rental fee as long as extra cleaning and plowing is not needed. If extra costs are incurred, there will be a follow up discussion at that time.
- Clerk Henry gave an election update. The public accuracy test will be held on April 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the township hall. Anyone is welcome to come and view the testing of our voting equipment.
- Road gravel costs were discussed. More discussion about road projects will occur later.

- Meeting dates were discussed for the 2023/2024 fiscal year. A motion was made by Trustee Spencer, seconded by Trustee Juntunen to hold the regular township meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. With all in favor, motion carried. The meeting dates will be posted on the doors of the township hall and on the website.
- Payton Hulkkonen has been appointed as our new Deputy Treasurer.

A motion was made Treasurer Krajnak and seconded by Trustee Spencer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Robin A. Henry, Laird Township Gerk