**Regular Meeting of the Lovells Township Board**

**July 12, 2022**

**PRESENT:** Ann C. Duby, Cheryl Hopp, Cynthia Infante-Inman, Heather Lovell, and Gary A. Neumann.

**ABSENT:** None.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Denny Inman, Sally Brand, Jo Johnson, Dave Lovell, Allen Cail, Ryan & Matt Swope-Crawford County Sheriff Office, Randy Long, Joanne Phillips, Deputy Fire Chief Ed Lohr.

 Supervisor Neumann called the Board Meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Neumann asked that three info items be added to the agenda: #2 Hall Vandalism, #3 Access Site Roller System, #4 COVID Funds; Board concurred.

 Neumann introduced the two Sheriff Deputies in attendance and briefed on an EMS Run/dog accident; Under Sheriff Swope stated that it was an unfortunate accident and upon investigation found no foul play; Deputy Fire Chief Lohr concurred.

 Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Board as presented; All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

 Neumann moved, Hopp supported a motion to approve pre-paid vouchers dated June 9, 2022 through July 11, 2022 as presented: General Fund totaling $8,132.65; Direct Deposit Checks totaling $6,869.82; Fire Fund totaling $9,162.64; and Landfill Fund totaling $1,999.91; In a roll call vote: All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Treasurer’s June Report Received and Accepted as Presented.

**Clerk’s Profit & Loss Report:** Received and Accepted as Presented.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Letter from Brian Bury, DNR, Natural Rivers Program RE: Installation of river etiquette signs along Au Sable River System.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Assessing –** Neumann stated that their work on the 20% township parcel audit is ongoing.

**Fire/EMS Department –** Infante-Inman read the Chief’s written report; 11 runs (7-Fire/4-EMS) for the month of June; No other matters to report.

**Cemetery Sexton-** No report.

**Liquor Inspector-** Infante-Inman reported June Inspection Forms received and on file.

**Zoning Administrator** – Infante-Inman briefed on Gauthier’s written report for June; Two Zoning Permits issued; No other Zoning Matters to report.

**Zoning Enforcement Officer** – Neumann briefed on one case ongoing.

**COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS:**

**Board of Review –** Neumann reported BOR to meet July 19 at 3 PM.

**Historical Society –** Lovell reported that their new Artisan Series is drawing more people than past exhibits.

**Lovells Media and Reading Center** – Hopp reported that they are looking for new shelves and have a Boy Scout willing to build book exchange boxes.

**Crawford County Planning Commission (CCPC)-**Inman reported meeting was cancelled.

**Lovells Township Planning Commission (LTPC) –** Inman stated that they met last night and approved the rough draft of the Lovells Township Recreational Plan for 30-day review period; Also LTPC unanimously approved recommending that the Township Board consider a Light Ordinance to be written by our attorney.

**Zoning Board of Appeals** – No report.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Neumann stated that the COLA increase from 10/1/2021 through 5/31/2022 (8months) is 7.3%. Budgeting an 11% COLA increase in our FY 2023-24 Fire/EMS and Landfill budgets for all salaries and wages; Deputy Lohr addressed Fire& EMS Bonus Program.
2. Neumann briefed on his draft township resolution regarding the Camp Grayling Expansion, but parts of his draft have been overridden by changes to the expansion plan and provided current information regarding the plan; Board decided to move forward with a formal resolution.

 **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:** Drafts of FY 2023-24 Fire/EMS & Landfill Budgets provided; Neumann briefed on Township Hall vandalism; Neumann briefed on Access Site Roller System repairs; Neumann stated second half of COVID funds were received and asked Board to consider possible expenditures.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** 11:02 AM -Neumann opened Public Comment; Under Sheriff Ryan Swope briefed on crime locally, Deputy Chase Lohr is new school liaison, and drugs continue to be a big problem which leads to other problems (i.e. mental health issues, domestic violence, etc.); 11:06 AM-Neumann closed Public Comment.

11:06 AM- Neumann moved, Lovell supported a motion to adjourn. All Ayes; MOTION CARRIED.

Next Regular Meeting of the Board will be held Tuesday, August 9, 2022, 10 AM at the Township Hall.

Cynthia Infante-Inman, Lovells Township Clerk