Newkirk Township Board Minutes June 21, 2022

The regular meeting of Newkirk Township was held Tuesday June 21, 2022 at the Newkirk Township Hall. Supervisor Gretchen Allan called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Supervisor Gretchen Allan, Clerk Cheryl Fullerton, Deputy Clerk Deb Abplanalp, Treasurer Sharon Gray, Trustees, Marilyn Gray and Rick Hall.

Visitors: Ahmad Goram with Brooks Elite Contracting, Ron DenBraber and Sheriff Richard Martin.

Visitor Comments: Ahmad Goram spoke briefly regarding the creation and maintenance of the Newkirk Township website. Start up fee \$2999 Maintaining site \$119 per month. Cheryl Fullerton moved to approve the proposal as submitted. Supported by Rick Hall. Roll call vote: Yes 5-0 motion carried.

Agenda Approval: Rick Hall moved to approve the agenda, supported by Marilyn Gray. Motion carried 5-0

Approval of the May 17, 2022 draft minutes and financials was motioned by Rick Hall supported by Marilyn Gray. Motion carried 5-0.

Correspondence: Luther Fire Board Minutes from June 2,2022. Thank you from the Lions Club read by Gretchen Allan. Notice of Variance Application.

Expenses: \$ CV Kwik Mart (cemetery gas) a. 159.96 John Deere Financial (mower parts for cemetery) b. 348.34 Michigan Townships Association (board dues) c. 564.74 Great Lakes Energy 40.74 Verizon Wireless 75.46 Consumers Energy 12.54 Richard Hall (cemetery mower repairs) 62.94 Cheryl Fullerton (mileage election class, pick up ballots) 46.00 Deb Abplanalp (4 hours deputy clerk office work) 48.00 Richard Hall (mileage 2 trips to Big Rapids cemetery parts) 89.70 Earl Raymo (cemetery-Gerald Weir cremation burial) 92.35

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Cheryl Fullerton motioned to pay the bills as presented. Sharon Gray supported. Roll Call vote: Yes 5-0 motion carried.

Old Business:

Blite on May Road is being taken care of.

Cheryl Fullerton motioned to go ahead and purchase 5 Mile foreclosed properties, supported by Rick Hall. Roll Call vote: Yes 5-0 motion carried.

New Business:

- a. Updated Ellsworth & Newkirk Township Cost Recovery Ordinance. Village checking on. Will move to old business until we hear back from them.
- b. Sprayer for cemetery mower. Rick Hall to obtain quotes. Will move to old business until quotes are provided.
- c. Budget Amendments. Sharon Gray motioned to move \$5000 from the Capital Outlay to the Transfers Out Other. Cheryl Fullerton supported the motion carried 5-0.
- d. State Road south of town ½ mile. Discussed the possibility of graveling this section that could possibly be split 3 ways between Newkirk and Ellsworth Townships and the Village. Still checking with the Village and Ellsworth Township. Will be added to Old business next month.

Additional Visitor Comments: Sheriff Martin gave many updates on items regarding the sheriff's office. Blessing of the Bikes shirts still available, Possibly hosting a Marine Academy here, ORV training facility, new weapons for officers, etc..

Adjournment: Cheryl Fullerton motioned to adjourn supported by Rick Hall. Motion carried 5-0. Gretchen Allan adjourned at 8:18 p.m.