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Newkirk Township Board Minutes

February 21, 2023

The regular meeting of Newkirk Township was held Tuesday February 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Newkirk Township Hall, Supervisor Gretchen Allan called the meeting to order and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Visitors: Assessor Linda Monroe, Ron DenBraber, Sheriff Martin, Nick Welch, John Langley

Visitor comments: Nick Welch voiced concerns of N. Cedar Road, C. Fullerton will send email to road commission regarding and ask for assistance.

Sheriff Martin gave update on county happenings.

John Langley ask board for some help regarding property taxes.

Agenda Approval: M. Gray made the motion to approve the agenda with item D, poverty guidelines, E. Cemetery added to Agenda, R. Hall second, **motion carried 5-0**

Approval of the January 17, 2023, minutes, January 20, 2023 special meeting minutes and financial report, R. Hall made the motion and C. Fullerton seconded, **motion carried 5-0**

Correspondence:

- a. Fire board minutes of February 2, 2023

Expenses\$

- a. 564.00 BSA Software, (Assessor
 - b. 3100.00 Lake County Treasurer (Treasurer
 - c. 1101.60 Great Lakes Assessing (Assessor
 - d. 37.50 John Hancock pension
 - e. 60.00 Lake County Township Association (BOR dues and advertising
 - f. 15.53 Consumers Energy
 - g. 43.20 Great Lakes Energy
 - h. 2866.75 Luther Fire District #1 (final county Jaws of Life payment
 - i. 119.00 Brooks Elite (website
 - j. 332.78 Election Source (election
 - k. 575.00 Baird Cotter & Bishop (yearend W'2s
 - l. 101.25 Cheryl Fullerton (mileage 3 trips to Baird Cotter & Bishop
- R. Hall made the motion to pay the bills, S. Gray seconded, **motion carried roll call 5-0**

Old Business:

- a. We are awaiting word from the Village regarding the Cost Recovery Ordinance for the Fire Department, C. Fullerton will be checking with the Village Clerk on status.
- b. The Board was presented with an estimate of repairs to review for Twin Creek Road

New Business:

- a. The following budget amendments were made:
Decrease **Other Funds** 2,500 and increase **Clerk** 2,500
Decrease **BOR** 2,500 and increase **Assessor** 2,500
Decrease **Contract Services** 400 and increase **Workers' Compensation** 400.
Decrease **Contract Services** 1100 and increase **Elections** 1100

C. Fullerton made the motion and S. Gray seconded **motion carried 5-0**

- b. R. Hall made the motion to approve the 2023/2024 meeting dates and M. Gray second, **motion carried 5-0**, C. Fullerton will publish in the Star paper.
- c. Salaries were set with no changes from previous year, M. Gray made the motion and S. Gray supported, **motion carried 5-0**
Mileage was set at the current Federal rate of 65.6, R. Hall made the motion supported by C. Fullerton, **motion carried 5-0**
- d. Approval of the Poverty Guidelines was made, S. Gray made the motion and C. Fullerton supported, **roll call 5-0 motion carried.**
- e. The Board approved to buy back cemetery plots if requested. S. Gray made the motion and R. Hall supported; **motion carried 5-0**

There were no additional visitor comments: Nick Welch agreed to help with placement of Christmas lights next Winter on the Hall outdoor tree. 😊

Meeting adjourned at 7:05p.m. M. Gray made the motion and R. Hall seconded; **motion carried 5-0**

Cheryl J. Fullerton, Newkirk Township Clerk

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