GENESEE TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 14, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Supervisor Eashoo.

All present gave Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Eashoo, Bates, Sorensen, Burrus, Gerace, Sutton and Witte

Also present: 24 guests

Moved by Bates supported by Sutton to approve the agenda as presented. No discussion. Vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Sutton to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2023 special board meeting without corrections. No discussion. Vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

PRESENTATIONS: Lela Johnson was sick and could not present her development plans for 100 tiny homes for Veterans

\*PUBLIC COMMENTS: Supervisor Eashoo reminded all present that public comments are limited to agenda items only at this time. Indian Hills resident Richard Thick expressed his concerns about the condition of Indian Hills and wants to see it cleaned up. He also stated that he is concerned that the mobile home park does not a have storm shelter, no security and the pool no longer works. There is now a mouse and cockroach issue. Diane (last name unknown), Indian Hills resident, expressed her concern that boats, semi’s and travel trailers are being brought in and people are living in these. She also stated that Emterra will not pick up trash due to the bug infestation.

**CLERK**

Moved by Sutton supported by Gerace to approve lease with option to buy until quiet title for sale of Township owned property located at 3223 N. Term St. to Ricky Goss and Robin Zimmerman at a cost of $15,000. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sutton supported by Bates to approve used car license for Almost Anything Auto LLC located at 5258 N. Genesee Rd. good for one year contingent on State Licensing Board approval. Discussion held. Roll call vote taken. Yes -6 No-1 Motion carried.

**SUPERVISOR**

Procedural clarification for the purchase of one 2023 Tahoe Police Interceptor at a cost of $39,218.

Move by Bates supported by Sutton to approve Arrowhead Uplifters installation of Police equipment on the 2023 Tahoe at a cost of $12,618. Discussion held. Sutton asked multiple questions regarding the cost. Roll call vote taken. Yes-6 No-1 Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Gerace to approve Genesee Township Fire Station #1 and Station #2 reverting back to separate budgets. Discussion held. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Gerace to approve purchase of three (3) sets of turnout gear for Fire Station #1 from MES at a cost of $8,685.00. No discussion. Roll call vote. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Bates supported by Sutton to approve first reading of Ordinance #625 – amending Zoning Ordinance #603 updating the definition of Essential Services. Discussion held. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Discussion only regarding the Mt. Morris City Fire Department collaboration. Eashoo stated that this is in the early stages and when more information becomes available he will pass in on to the Board members.

Moved by Bates supported by Sorensen to approve emergency repairs to Pump Station #1 in the amount of $8,358.00. No discussion. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER**

Moved by Sorensen supported by Gerace to approve February bill list and Financial Statement. Discussion held. Sorensen explained that this is the time of year when expenses are the most. This is sewer and water’s largest billing cycle. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

Moved by Sorensen supported by Gerace to approve the purchase of a Martin-Yale tab machine at a cost of $3,534.00. Discussion held. Roll call vote taken. All yes. Motion carried.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** – No report at this time.

**FIRE** – No report at this time

**POLICE COMMITTEE** – Mrs. Sutton presented report.

**DPW** – Mrs. Witte presented report.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

State Representative, David Martin, explained the $79 Billion budget for the State of Michigan passed. His party is not happy with the bill. It was an all or nothing deal with not enough money for roads.

**NEW BUSINESS** – None

**COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Eashoo stated that the Genesee Road bridge project would begin at the end of February. One lane will remain open with a traffic light at each end of the bridge. Fire Chief Fremd asked if we can control the light during fire runs? Eashoo asked all Indian Hills residents and the new manager to stay after the meeting ended. Bates wished everyone a Happy Valentine’s Day and thanked everyone for coming.

Meeting adjourned by consensus at 6:32 p.m.

\*3 minutes, agenda items

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Wayne Bates, Clerk Daniel Eashoo, Supervisor