

TEKONSHA TOWNSHIP
166 Spires Parkway
Tekonsha MI 49092

Board of Trustee Minutes for February 9, 2023

Supervisor Overley called the meeting to order at

The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

Quorum was determined with the following members present: Phillips, Thomas, Moore, Overley and Stemaly

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Moore, second by Stemaly to approve the agenda as presented. Carried

Minutes: Motion by Moore, second by Thomas to approve the January 12, 2022 Minutes meeting minutes as presented. Carried

Citizens Comments: Tina Cole ask the board to do something about the easement on the west side of Nottawa Lake. Residents are blocking the easement preventing egress in and out of the area. Fire Chief stated that this conflicts with NFPA, (see Ch 18) preventing response from emergency services. The Board directed the Fire Chief to send a letter to call a meeting with residents on the easement and explain the problem as it relates to the code, and solicit compliance. **Motion** by Stemaly, support from Phillips to direct the fire chief to send a letter and inviting residents on the easements to a meeting and review the NFPA code with regards to preventing emergency services to residents, in hopes to get some voluntary compliance. Carried. Supervisor stated that the township did not have funds for legal involvement and reiterated that these issues were a civil matter.+

Diane Thompson, County Commissioner checking in.

Assessor's Report: Addressed the need to update the Township Poverty Exemption Resolution annually. State Tax % comparison numbers were presented for all classifications. The Board was agreeable to the request to use Marana Group for assessment mailing .

Motion by Overley with support from Moore to adopt Resolution 2022-10 setting the poverty guidelines in compliance with the federal poverty guidelines. Carried

Role Call vote results were:

AYES: Moore, Thomas, Phillips, Overley and Stemaly

Nays: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Supervisor's Report: Continues to follow up on delinquent fire call bills.

Clerk's Report: Bids for snowplowing was received from 2 vendors:

Motion by Phillips with support from Overley to award contract for the 2023 season to Brado's Tree service pending the proof of liability insurance and with the understanding that there will be no use of a skid steer on the pavement. Carried

A letter from the Historical Society was shared regarding their contributions to the upkeep of the building on behalf of the Township.

Bills: Motion by Overley, second by Phillips to approve signatures on all General Fund bills presented, in the amount of \$40,669.46. Carried

Motion by Stemaly, seconded by Thomas to approve signatures on all Fire Department Fund Bill presented, in the amount of \$ 21,629.17. Carried

Treasurer's Report: Accepted as presented.

Fire Board Report: Girard Township has requested a bid on fire services. **Motion** by Overley to Bid based on the same formula (% of budget) as used for Clarendon and Butler, support by Phillips. Carried. Following interviews, the Fire Department Officers recommend the employment of Brandon K. White as a firefighter. **Motion** by Overley with support from Phillips to hire Brandon K. White. Burlington is storing one of their trucks here temporarily while they move equipment onto their new truck. The fire department responded to 12 runs in January. 4 in Tekonsha Twp, 3 in the Village, 2 in Clarendon, and 3 mutual runs. The Volunteer Firemen's Association purchased a commercial stove and cooler for the kitchen.

Old Business: Fees for the use of the Communality Room were set as follows:

	Resident:	Non-Resident
Per day	\$ 75.00	\$ 150.00
½ day	40.00	80.00
Weddings	500.00	1,000.00
Set up (after 5 pm)	75.00	150.00
Clean up (by 11 am)	75.00	150.00

Deposits: 50% of rental fee

Early Set up and late cleanup will be dependent on the room not scheduled for another party.

New Business: None

Adjournment: Motion by Phillips, seconded by Moore, Adjourned 8:15 pm.