

**Crystal Township
Board Meeting
March 18, 2024**

Supervisor: Lee Hyslop 616-240-4706, **Clerk:** Bethany Seymour 231-855-2065, **Treasurer:** Catherine Walker 231-742-1796, **Trustee:** Jon Stevenson 312-933-2187, **Trustee:** Kyle Oomen 231-923-9045

Monthly Township Board Meeting Monday, March 18, 2024, 7 P.M

Call to order with Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Kyle Oomen, Jon Stevenson, Bethany Seymour, Lee Hyslop, **Absent:** Catherine Walker.

Guests Present: Ron Snith, Pat Amstutz, Lynn Gardener, Gary Gardener, Anthony Pietrusiewicz, Kerry Kranz, Howard Gardener.

Approve previous month's meeting minutes. Approval requested: February 19, 2024, minutes were presented. Motion to approve needed. Motioned by Jon Stevenson and supported by Bethany Seymour to approve February's Minutes. All in favor say I, opposed, none heard. **Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

Changes to agenda-Library Contract-CD rates and savings-Transfer Station cards and rates:

Bethany and Cathy to audit Library Contract for amounts being paid as well as CD rates for the CD that we have. Talk to Adam at the Transfer Station about checking for paid cards before dumping. Al Purdy requested that insurance subject be moved from Old Business to Fire Department Report.

Citizens comments: None heard.

Letters and Communications to Board: None submitted.

Fire Department Report: Chief Purdy had maintenance done on Fire Truck and hose repair
1. Fire Truck replacement insurance – Designated value repair/replace - Not ACV: Talked about replacement value on the three fire trucks, it currently would cost 1.1 M. Insurance to replace the trucks based on designated value would add \$934.00 to the current premium and the replacement would take place if the truck could not be repaired. Decision to table discussion until April's meeting, was agreed upon, to give Lee time to get back with the insurance agent and have written clarification of specific criteria.

Zoning Report: Five zoning permits were issued. Zoning updates on current issues are documented in the monthly report and on file if needed.

Clerk Report: We had a great February election, being new it was a little chaotic for me, but thanks to Ron Smith, Catherine Walker, Pat Amstutz and others help, it went very well. Our next election will be in August.

Review and pay bills – Motion for approval: March bills were presented. Need to hold the library payment and audit the 2 payments we sent them last year. Need a Motion to approve checks for March of 2024. Also needed is approval of Howard's Lawncare bid to clean up the

Cemetery of fallen limbs and debris from the winter of \$125.00. Motion by Jon Stevenson and supported by Kyle Oomen to approve the payment of bills holding the library payment. All in favor say I, opposed, none heard. **Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

Treasurers Report: Cathy Walker is out sick, so Lee Hyslop gave the treasurer's report

Beginning Balance	Cash Receipt's	Disbursements	Bank Fees	Current
\$398,576.94	\$15,530.55	\$20,438.65	\$20.23	\$391,648.61

Supervisors Report:

1: Meetings attended: Oceana Co. Land Bank Blight Grant – Raise Grant – Farm Road – GLE-Next – Site visit w/Ron for Morenci – Workshop with Bethany and Catherine Re Budget – Planning Commission – OCRC – Board of Review – Assessor – Cleaned Township Hall and Tables.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

A. Voting Camera needs to be installed by August to be able to watch the voting box. The government will reimburse. \$500.00 was suggested as a reasonable dollar amount to spend.

B. Refrigerator needs replacing, up to an \$800.00 limit, which the Board approved, was put on the purchase.

C. Mason/Oceana Co. Hazardous Waste (Fall), need to put posters up at Transfer Station and Township Hall and perhaps the County Park to notify citizens of this event. They are asking for a donation of \$272.00. Agreement was made that it would be a good idea to participate. Motion made by Kyle Oomen to donate \$300.00 toward Mason/Oceana Co. Hazardous Waste and to participate. 2nd was made by Bethany Seymour. All in favor say I, opposed, none heard.

Voice Vote. Motion Carried.

Public Comment: A Male Citizen solicited for a petition to be put on the November Ballot to repeal the Solar Law and put those decisions into the people's hands.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Jon Stevenson and 2nd by Bethany Seymour. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Hyslop

Deputy Clerk

Crystal Township Annual Board Meeting
1499 East Hammett Rd.
Hart, MI. 49420

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Annual Township Board Meeting Monday March 18, 2024, 6:30 P.M.

Meeting of the Electors

1. Call to order with Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Lee Hyslop stated before roll call that he had attached a sheet to the agenda with a supervisor's guide to what an Annual Meeting should be.

2. Roll Call: Board Members present: Kyle Oomen, Jon Stevenson, Lee Hyslop and Bethany Seymour. **Absent:** Catherine Walker

3. Approve March 20, 2023, Annual Board Meeting minutes: Motion by Hyslop to approve, no Motion necessary. All in favor say I, opposed, none heard, minutes approved. **Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

4. Changes to agenda: None

5. Citizens comments: None

6. Pay raise adopted for Board Members: Clerk, Treasurer and Supervisor of 15% to be reviewed annually. Approved at Board meeting February 2024.

7. Adoption of 2023-2024 Budget: Hyslop submitted the budget and went over changes to be made noting that the Fiscal year is April through March and with our Annual Meeting being prior to the end of the year the figures only reflect entries through the end of February. We can approve the budget as submitted and amend it month by month once the March figures have come in. I'd like to thank Bethany for all the hard work she has put into Quick Books to ensure an accurate accounting so that we can have an accurate budget. **Motion by Kyle Oomen to Approve Budget and 2nd by Jon Stevenson. All in favor say I, opposed, none heard. Voice Vote. Motion Passed.**

8. Set Board meeting dates and times for fiscal year 2024. April 1, 2024, through March 1, 2025: Kyle Oomen Motioned to keep the monthly board meeting the same, which is the 3^r Monday of every month, and to keep the Annual Budget Meeting the same, which is the 3rd Monday in March, and have it coincide with that months Board Meeting. Jon Stevenson 2nd. All in favor say I, opposed, none heard. **Voice Vote: Motion Passed.**

9. Open Discussion – Citizen Comments: Comment was made regarding any pay raises put in for Fire Department, Hyslop answered there was not. Question on the outcome of Millages voted on and the answer was that all Millages passed.

10. Motion to adjourn. There being no further business, **Motion to adjourn by Kyle Oomen and supported by Jon Stevenson to adjourn the 2024 Annual Meeting at 6:54 P.M. Voice Vote. Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Hyslop