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SEPTEMBER 7, 2023 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Chairman **Paul Ledebuhr** called the **SEPTEMBER 7, 2023 MONEY CREEK TOWN BOARD MEETING** to order at 6:00pm. Other board members present included Supervisors **Wayne Meyer** and **Randy Hongerholt** and Clerk **Adam Florin**. Treasurer **Terrie DeBoer** was absent. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for the reading of the Secretary's Report, which Clerk **Florin** read aloud. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to approve the Secretary's Report as read. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Meyer**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for the reading of the Treasurer's Report. Clerk **Florin** reported aloud the following balances ending **August 31, 2023:**

Fund Number	Fund	Amount
100	General Fund	\$404,572.36
201	Road & Bridge Fund	\$53,916.14
210	Fire Fund	\$14,486.61
220	Ambulance Fund	\$29,473.50
230	Solid Waste Fund	\$8,848.20
240	Street Light Fund	\$1,399.34
250	Equipment Fund	\$246,582.30
260	CARES Act Fund	\$464.35
270	ARPA Fund	\$37,007.50
404	Park Acquisition & Development Fund	\$1,349.80
Grand Total		\$798,100.10

Supervisor **Meyer** motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report as read by Clerk **Florin**. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Supervisor **Meyer** motioned to pay the bills. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Hongerholt**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Joan Redig mentioned that there is a new online Root River Current, Inc. that is an online e-magazine, to communicate the area's history and current events in the area. IT doesn't cost anything (501-C3) but they do take donations. This newsletter features different artists and other events in the area.

Corey Benson provided a road update – he is well aware of the washboard issues but it is so dry lately there's not much he can do to fix the issues. He has completed all of the mowing.

Mr. Mike Burbach mentioned that the shower house is problematic, and they won't be pursuing this. As far as the liquor license project, he would classify this as moderately successful. Financially it was good but not great, it was all shut down by 8:00 and cleaned up by 9:00. Mike asked if the board had heard anything good or bad, to which the board had not heard any issues either way. In the end, after the supervisors approved the temporary permit application, it was rejected by the State of Minnesota because Money Creek Haven is for-profit and temporary permits can only be approved for non-profits, so they had to use a caterer instead. Supervisor **Meyer** mentioned that the Fillmore County Journal reported on this issue.

The board reviewed the building permit applications from Chad Rosendahl and Wayne Fitting. The Wayne Fitting application was not reviewed, as Mike Burbach explained that Houston County Zoning has some issues with the plan. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to approve Rosendahl's permit. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Meyer**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

The supervisors reviewed the Consolidated Energy propane purchase agreement and discussed options. Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to pre-but 1,000 gallons. This motion was seconded by Supervisor **Meyer**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of approval.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** called Severson about the plow truck, and Universal pushed the build date back to January 22, 2024, which would mean that since it is built in 2024, it would add about \$20,000 due to the new EPA regulations that take effect January 1. They are still working to avoid this \$20K addition and will contact Chairman **Ledebuhr** as soon as they have final information.

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**2023 Regular August Board Meeting
Secretary's Report
September 7, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.**

As far as the brush mowing – Chairman **Ledebuhr** has not heard back from McIlheeny. Chairman **Ledebuhr** asked whether he would sell the equipment or be hired as a contractor, and hasn't heard back. As far as renting equipment, we wouldn't be responsible for normal wear and tear items, but any items damaged due to abuse, the township would be responsible for. Supervisors also discussed the situation with the liquid chloride being applied by Houston County.

Supervisor **Hongerholt** asked if we received any winter rock... Chairman **Ledebuhr** stated that he had not heard anything.

The supervisors discussed options for maintaining brush and the pros and cons of spraying.

Supervisor **Meyer** motioned to approve the request from Polly Heberlein to sell the parcels of land in Money Creek Township. Seconded by Hongerholt. Unanimous.

The board reviewed the MATIT policy documents; the board asked Clerk **Florin** to contact MATIT to ask how the board should go about right-sizing our policy. Perhaps a Skype call with the board at some point, but the board would like some general guidelines from MATIT on the rules.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** mentioned that he locked the town hall closet now, due to the sensitive information in this room.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** commented on County Line Drive, as there appears to be some construction activity there. Apparently it is just a gas line they are working on, not construction activity.

Chairman **Ledebuhr** mentioned that there are large holes near Rocky Feine's farm on Dump Hill Road that need to be repaired. The board asked Corey Benson to go up there with the box blade and attempt to repair the damage. The board also discussed drafting a letter to Mr. Feine – the Clerk will work on a draft to review at the next meeting.

With no additional business to discuss, Supervisor **Hongerholt** motioned to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor **Meyer**. Chairman **Ledebuhr** called for a vote which was unanimous in favor of adjournment, and the meeting adjourned at 8:34PM.

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