Fairgrove Township

Regular Board Meeting

Fairgrove Township Hall

July 19, 2021 7:33 PM

Roll Call: Supervisor Keith Aeder, Clerk Katie Gebhardt, Treasurer Sarah Donovan, Trustee Dennis Hadeway, and Trustee Justin Edwards.

Visitors Present: Colleen Russell – Deputy Clerk, Pat Donovan-Gray – Deputy Treasurer, Doug Foster – Sexton, Bruce Turner – Zoning Admin, John McQuillan – Township Attorney, Kristin Nelson – Village of Fairgrove President, Tony Thomas –Village of Fairgrove DPW.

Call to order

Hadeway moved Donovan supported to approve July Meeting minutes. Passed.

Aeder moved Hadeway supported to approve June Agenda. Passed

Visitor Comments

Visitor Comments Closed

Other Reports

Sexton Report

* 1 Burial
* ATV’s have been reported in the cemetery. Simmerson has it taken care of. Doug will fix an damage done.

Police Report

* None

Assessing

* None

Zoning

* None

Supervisors Report

* Bank Building Roof – The roof has been made weather tight. LaPratt has provided an estimate for additional work that needs to be done. Board discussed and wants to preserve the oldest building in town.
  + DH moved KA supported to approve additional recommended work estimated at $51,535. $30,000 down, $10,000 once framed and $11,535 when complete. Passed.
* ARPA – Villages will apply on their own, contacting the accountants for assistance submitting.
* Thumb Body – Looking to expand to all of Tuscola County.
  + Aeder moved Edwards supported to amend the 2021/2022 budget to add subsidizing 50% of all Thumb Body rides up to $5,000 for Fairgrove Township residents. Passed
* Building codes – No updated information County is still exploring the possibility of a new company.

Unfinished Business

* Republic – amend contract to end May 17th with a final payment of $3,379.90.
  + KA moved DH supported to authorize supervisor to sign amendment to Republic contract, with a final payment of $3,379.90. Passed.
* Thumb Electric Franchise Agreement – 30 years, non-exclusive
  + KA moved DH supported to adopt Thumb Electric Ordinance and authorize Clerk and Supervisor to sign, to be published as a summary in the Advertiser. Passed.
* Dump – Discussion on Township/Village dump. The Township feels that the dump is utilized fully by the Village and having two separate owners makes decision making difficult.
  + KG moved SD supported to offer to quick deed the property over to the Village of Fairgrove for $1, still allowing the Township and its residents use through the Village’s proper channels. Passed.
* Logo – Last logo designer has fallen through. KG has suggested a partnership with the school to run a design contest.
* Landscaping – Larsen’s Graphics can do building signage for $1155.00 installed. It was suggested to add letters to two sides of the building instead of one.
  + KA moved DH supported to have Larsen’s Graphics install letters on the building not to exceed $2,000. Passed
  + Matt Kirk can redo the landscaping for $8,860.00, with a 50% deposit.
  + KA moved DH supported to authorize clerk to pay 50% deposit for Kirk Landscaping at Clerks discretion. Passed.
* GFL Contract
  + JE moved DH supported to authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to sign GFL contract. Passed.

Financial Report

* Revenue sharing
* FICA account update
* DH moved KG supported to accept financial report as presented. Passed.

Bills

* DH moved SD supported to pay bills as presented, including the addition of Kacy Riddle for Township Hall cleaning. Passed.

Board Comments

* FOIA – Township received and completed a FOIA request about current trash collection.
* Road Commission – Discussion on solution for Dutcher Rd.

Visitor Comments - None

DH moved JE supported to adjourn meeting. Passed

Meeting adjourned 10:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Gebhardt

Fairgrove Township Clerk