Regular Board Meeting for Mills Township Wednesday, March 9, 2022

7:00 p.m. Meeting called to order

Stand for the Pledge

Roll Call Present: Amy Hoover, Alan Wendt, Kim Sweet, Sara Pitch Absent: Ron Kutchey

Residents Present: Roland Brink, Clyde Hoover, Richard & Connie LaFontaine, William Johnson, Sharon Lutz

Guests: none

Motion made by Sweet to have Wendt chair the meeting in Kutchey's absence, supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried.

Wendt opened the Public Hearing for adoption of the 2022-2023 Budget and the property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the budget. No Questions or Discussion, Hearing Closed.

Agenda Approval: Pitch made a motion to accept the agenda with the addition in New Business F.2022-2023 Budget Resolution. G. Planning Meetings, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried.

Minutes: Pitch made a motion to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from Feb. 9, 2022 as written supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried.

Public Comments: Suggestion made to restripe the parking lot. Wendt said it can be added to April's agenda

Supervisor's Report: No report

Treasurers Report: Balances as of March 1, 2022

- A. General Fund Checking-\$462,720.88
- B. General Fund Savings \$56,402.83
- C. Roads -\$44,417.60
- D. Fire Fund Checking \$475,623.14
- E. Fire Fund Savings-\$84,290.22
- F. Solid Waste Checking-\$ 19,492.83
- G. Solid Waste Savings \$51,434.17
- H. Current Tax- \$246,523.76
- Water Debt Service- \$148,867.11
- J. Water Tax Revenue- \$79,406.14

Treasurer's report accepted

Clerks Report: Presentation of Claims:

- A. General Fund- Check #14293-14314 Total \$12,306.57
- B. Fire Fund- Check #7392-7403 Total \$3,825.72
- C. Solid Waste- Check #1603 Total \$10,936.80

Motion made by Pitch to pay the claims and accept the report as stated and to amend the 2021-2022 GF Budget by moving \$150 from Planning to ZBA and increasing the 2021-2022 SW Budget \$ 2,453.68 to support the price increase in services and fuel charges, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

- A. **Planning Report:** No meeting this month, Next meeting in April, Lawyer sent back documents on the proposed ordinances, Wendt explain next step.
- B. Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA): Had 2 meeting in Feb., Variance request was denied
- C. Fire Dept. Report: Asst. Chief Brink gave the report for February 29 total responses for 2022, 10 since last meeting with no mutual aid calls since last meeting Dept. Activities:
 - 1. Hunters Safety classes March 12th, 26th & April 9th
 - 2. New truck design details continue to move forward
 - 3. Year End Program completed with success
 - 4. Firehouse Sub Grant Submitted
 - Committee formed to start research on Fire/Rescue ATV

Department Requests

- 1. To Pay Annual Firefighter Training Committee Dues of \$250
- 2. To Pay Annual Fire Chief's Assoc. Dues \$150
- 3. To Send Firefighters to Novi Fire Expo for a cost not to exceed \$1000
- 4. To Send Firefighters to the Indianapolis Fire Dept. Instructors Conf. for a cost not to exceed \$3000 Motion by Hoover to grant the request, supported by Pitch

Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried

- D. Code Authority: Going Okay, Next meeting March. 24th 5 p.m. at the County Bldg.
- E. Assessors Report: Had BOR Organization meeting, March BOR 3/17 & 3/18
- F. Water Report: No report

Old Business:

A. Butter's update: Motion denied

B. Johnson update: Court date set for 3/28

New Business:

A. 2022 Lawn Maintenance: Discussion held: Motion made by Pitch to accept the bid submitted by Servinski Sod for summer mowing & services, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried.

- **B. Key distribution:** ZBA Chairman requested a key to the Hall, Discussion held, Policy is to only give keys to the board member (each board has a board member on it) Motion made by Pitch to stay with the current policy, supported by Hoover, Roll Call Yes Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried.
- **C. Day/Night Meetings:** Discussion held: Comment meeting should be held in the evening to allow for members and the public to attend. No action taken.
- **D. Resolution for the Fire Truck Loan #2022-0309:** Discussion held: Motion by Sweet to adopt Resolution No. 2022-0309 that allows the Treasurer Pitch to enter into an installment agreement with the bank, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried.
- **E. Fiscal 21-22 bills:** Motion by Hoover to allow the clerk and treasurer to pay all outstanding bills for the 21- 22 fiscal year, supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried **F. 2022-2023 Budget Resolution:** Motion made by Hoover to adopt the Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and the property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the budget, supported by Pitch Roll Call Yes Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried
- **G. Planning Meetings:** May need extra meeting with the upcoming ordinances, discussion held, Motion by Pitch to allow the Planning Commission to hold extra meeting as need with per diems paid, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Pitch Motion Carried

Board Comments: None

Public Comments: Who do I get a hold of to post things on the bulletin board? Answer: A Board member

Adjournment: Hoover moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m., supported by Pitch Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.