

Regular Board Meeting for Mills Township
Thursday, September 15, 2022

7:00 p.m. Meeting called to order
Stand for the Pledge

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

Residents Present: Tim Metzger, Jean Pitch and Mere Heal.

Guests: none

Agenda Approval: Hoover made a motion to accept the agenda, supported by Kutchey Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Minutes: Wendt made a motion to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from August 10, 2022 as written supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Public Comments: None

Supervisor's Report: Kutchey gave an update on the roads schedule; MTA Regional Summit-Oct 18, 19 Motion made by Wendt to have expenses and per diems paid for any board members wanting to attend the MTA Regional Summit Oct. 18-19 in Mt. Pleasant, supported by Hoover. Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Kutchey Motion Carried. Midland County Road Commission will be offering free classes for any board members interested in attending.

Treasurers Report: Balances as of Sept. 1, 2022

- A. General Fund Checking-\$94,119.89
- B. General Fund Savings - \$554,159.12
- C. Roads -\$60,026.59
- D. Fire Fund Checking \$74,524.46
- E. Fire Fund Savings-\$212,618.44
- F. Solid Waste Checking-\$ 11,796.80
- G. Solid Waste Savings - \$31,438.40
- H. Current Tax- \$250.095.26
- I. Water Account- \$193,739.02

Treasurer's report accepted

Clerks Report: Presentation of Claims:

- A. General Fund- Check #14464-14494 - Total \$60,586.85
- B. Fire Fund- Check #7491-7505 - Total \$8,392.59
- C. Solid Waste- Check #1612 - Total \$11,457.60
- D. Water Acct. – Cashier's check \$7,800.00

Motion made by Kutchey to accept the report and pay the claims as stated, supported by Wendt
Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Kutchey Motion Carried.

Committee Reports:

- A. **Planning Report:** Had meeting in August. Waiting for Final report from Rowe for the Township's 5-year Recreation Plan and then will address Master Plan.
- B. **Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA):** No meeting
- C. **Fire Dept. Report:** Chief Metzger gave his report
116 total responses for 2022, 20 since last meeting with 6 mutual aid calls
Dept. Activities:
 - 1. Truck update given
 - 2. Tree stand training completed (Valley Electric to donate harnesses)
 - 3. UTV Update given
 - 4. Insurance claim replacement equipment purchases completed
 - 5. ISO evaluation in progress
 - 6. Hunter's Safety Classes-8/27, 9/24, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12

Department Requests

1. To purchase boots for a cost not to exceed \$700
2. To have FIT testing completed for a cost not to exceed \$1200
3. To purchase loose equipment for new truck for a cost not to exceed \$1500
Motion by Wendt to grant the requests as stated, supported by Hoover
Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Kutchey Motion Carried

- D. **Code Authority:** Busy; Appointed new board chair & vice chair Next meeting Sept 22nd 5 p.m. County Bldg.
- E. **Assessors Report:** No report
- F. **Water Report:** Had an exceedance - waiting for city to determine next step

Old Business:

- A. **Johnson update:** Building is down. Motion by Hoover to cancel future court date, since Mr. Johnson has complied, supported by Sweet. Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Kutchey Motion Carried.
- B. **Audio Alarm:** Still giving a list of delays, need to be done soon, may have to look elsewhere

New Business:

- A. **BOR January class:** Motion by Kutchey to allow Kutchey to host the BOR class in January at the hall, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes - Hoover, Wendt, Sweet, Kutchey Motion Carried
- B. **USDA Payment:** Motion by Wendt to approve the USDA payment Oct. 1, 2022 for \$33,884.37, supported by Kutchey Roll Call Yes – Wendt, Hoover, Sweet, Kutchey Motion Carried.
- C. **L-4029:** Motion by Sweet to adopt the Fire Department millage of 2.25 mills, the Township Fixed Operating millage of 1.2345 mills and the Road millage of 0.9884 mill, supported by Hoover Roll Call Yes–Kutchey, Wendt, Hoover, Sweet Motion Carried
- D. **Solid Waste:** Sweet presented numbers for the solid waste account-Republic Services has increased their rate along with an additional fuel charge each month. Discussion held Motion made by Wendt to increase the amount due on the Solid Waste tax roll by \$30, so it will be \$220 total, supported by Kutchey Roll Call Yes–Kutchey, Wendt, Hoover, Sweet Motion Carried
- E. **Insurance Renewal:** Plan Proposal presented for 2022-2023 policy year: Discussion held, Motion by Hoover to accept the 22-23 insurance plan for \$18,936.00, without adding any of the additional coverage options, supported by Wendt Roll Call Yes–Kutchey, Wendt, Hoover, Sweet Motion Carried

Board Comments:

Kutchey: Increased activity at Butters property: Oct. 1st will file with circuit court; Have applied for grant from Midland Foundation for the Park; Also looking into grants for possible water loan forgiveness; Facebook page is growing over 1000 followers

Wendt: Will let Guiett Portajon know when to pick up depending on the weather.

Public Comments: None

Adjournment: Wendt moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m., supported by Hoover Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.