

Campbell Township

Regular Meeting

December 14, 2023

Regular meeting began at 7:00 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was taken. All board members were present.

10 Visitors Present

Approval of the Agenda – Motion by Pepper, Support by Jackson. Approved.

Minutes of November Meeting were read. Motion by McArthur, Support by Jackson. Approved.

Public Comment – None

Financial Report was given. Recommendations for changes to the current budget was suggested by the auditors to happen before the end of the fiscal year. Those changes will be discussed and brought forth at the January meeting. Motion by Jackson, support by McArthur to accept financial reports. Approved

Bills were presented. Motion by Jackson, support by McArthur. Bills were approved.

Fire Department –

- Truck radios have arrived.
- Finishing up some details on grant requests.
- The new truck is still waiting on some equipment.
- Year end dinner was last week. 2 firefighters have resigned, and there is 1 possible new person. Waiting on the background check.

Township Park and Cemetery –

- The front gate of park is still open for dog walkers.
- There has been 1 burial and 2 sales since the last meeting.

Old Business –

- The Township Parking Lot project has had the soil and water management determine drain lines. The 15” main tile has been buried and we are waiting for the final bill. It should be within the budgeted amount.
- Cemetery rules and regulations are being discussed and a final list of rules will be presented at the January meeting for final approval.
- In June of 2023, a Consumers Energy Ordinance Resolution was passed at the Township Meeting. This Resolution was not sent to Consumers Energy at that time. Now that there is a new Township Supervisor and a new Board member, we have changed the names on the Resolution and will forward to Consumers Energy. Motion by Jackson, support by Pepper. Roll call vote to approve. McArthur/Aye; Pepper/Aye; Jackson/Aye; Ludema/Aye; Willison/Aye. Approved.

New Business –

- Burial Fees were listed and discussed. These fees will remain as is. The Lot fees will be increased to \$200 for Residents of the township and \$750 for Non-Residents, effective January 1, 2024. The fees for Burials and Lots will be reevaluated at least every 2 years. Motion by Pepper, support by McArthur. Motion Passed.

- Payroll Adjustment is being done on the financial statements to satisfy the auditors requests and the new requirements by the State of Michigan. These changes are to account numbers only, and do not affect actual cost of doing payroll.
- There will be a need for a camera for the Voting drop box by 2026. We will need to do more research on how many days we have to retain this information and the cost of retaining this information.
- Clerk, Marshann Ludema has tendered her resignation, effective January 1, 2024. Motion by Pepper, support by Jackson to accept. Approved.
- Deputy Clerk, Denise Newman was nominated by Pepper to become the new Clerk, effective January 1, 2024. Support by Jackson. Approved.
- Deputy Clerk Newman nominated Marshann Ludema as Deputy Clerk, effective January 1, 2024. Board approved.
- 0% penalty for winter taxes that are not paid by February 15, and prior to going delinquent on March 1st has always been done at Campbell Township. Willison made a motion to continue the practice. Jackson supported. Motion passed.
- Mary Sutton has resigned her Board of Review position effective December 31, 2023. Joe Fitzpatrick has volunteered as a new candidate. Pepper made a motion to accept Fitzpatrick. Support by Jackson. Motion passed.
- Budget adjustments will be presented in January for the board.
- Boston Township worked with Campbell Township on covering the cost of limestone on Goodemoot Road. We will be sending them a Thank You note for their cooperation with that project.
- Ryan King and a group of middle school students helped with the park clean up project this fall. A thank you note will be crafted and sent to them as well.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm. Motion by Pepper, Support by Jackson. Approved.

Marshann Ludema, Clerk