

Sylvan Township
October 2, 2023

The board meeting for Sylvan Township was called to order by Supervisor Angie Moore at 6:00 p.m. on October 2nd, 2023 at the Sylvan Township Hall.

Members Present: Angela Moore, Supervisor Sheila Robinson, Trustee
Terry Pritchard, Clerk Jeff Reagan, Trustee
Angela Reagan, Treasurer

Guests: Ted Wojcik and Tom Kunse

Minutes for the September 5th, 2023 regular board meeting were read by Terry Pritchard. Angie Reagan made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Sheila Robinson. Motion carried.

In old business:

- ✓ Terry Pritchard presented a quote for \$303 for steel to enclose the gables on the ends of the cemetery shed. Sheila Robinson made a motion to accept the quote and approve the work to be done by Brent Pritchard and Floyd Ankney, seconded by Jeff Reagan. Motion carried.
- ✓ Angie Moore reported that Jeff Nadig will be making his first round of checking the township for blight.
- ✓ Angie Reagan continues to do some checking at the area banks to find a better interest rate. Lake Osceola State Bank has some CDs that are earning up to 4.84%. For the tax account, they are offering an interest bearing account that earns 0.5% interest and offers no minimum balance, no service charges, cost sharing for checks and deposit slips, and a free endorsement stamp. At this time, she would like to leave the tax account at Huntington Bank because she just ordered checks.

In new business:

- ✓ Representative Tom Kunse was present at the board meeting to introduce himself and answer any questions the board may have. He confirmed the fact that there are bills currently under consideration concerning solar and wind power and also changes to the septic code. He left his business card and encourages the board and citizens to contact his office with concerns or needs.
- ✓ Angie Reagan looked into a lockbox for collecting taxes when she isn't available. At this time the board feels it could potentially lead to issues if residents were to leave cash in the box.

In public comments:

- ✓ None

In Fire Department News:

- ✓ Four new firefighters and Ted Wojcik were sworn in.
- ✓ The board discussed changing banks to get a better interest rate.
- ✓ The deadline for the DNR grant for dry hydrants has passed. During the meeting Shane received a call from the DNR and they granted an extension.
- ✓ They are still waiting to hear about the Firehouse Subs grant. The plan is to purchase a \$26,000 UTV with the grant funds.
- ✓ The grant for new radios required the radios to be purchased and in house by September 30th. Since the radios are unavailable at this time, Shane plans to have the invoice and feels the grant will still be able to be used for the purchase. If not, they can use capital funds.
- ✓ The board approved the purchase of an organizational cabinet for the back of the command vehicle and a push bar for Brush 2.
- ✓ Shane reported the monthly shifts were covered at 86%.
- ✓ The board discussed the possibility of a new building or upgrading the current building.

Jeff Reagan made a motion to receive the treasurer's report, Terry Pritchard seconded. Motion carried. A motion to pay bills was made by Jeff Reagan, seconded by Angie Reagan. Motion carried. All bills were reviewed with checks #3611, 3613-3627 in the amount of \$6,598.21 were paid.

A motion to adjourn was made by Terry Pritchard, seconded by Jeff Reagan. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Pritchard
Sylvan Township Clerk