

ATTICA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
April 18, 2024
Valerie Schultz, Clerk

At a meeting of the Attica Township Board held April 18, 2024 at the Attica Township Hall, 4350 Peppermill Road, Attica, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Al Ochadleus. PRESENT: Supervisor Al Ochadleus, Trustee William Winslow and Trustee Nancy Herpolsheimer. Absent: Two (Clerk Schultz and Treasurer Mason). ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Mike Gildner and the public per the sign-in sheet attached.

Pledge of Allegiance

ACCEPT AGENDA:

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Winslow, to accept the agenda as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two (Schultz, Mason). **MOTION CARRIED.**

REVIEW MINUTES:

The minutes of March 14, 2024 regular Board meeting were reviewed by the Board; and there being no additions, corrections, or deletions;

MOTION by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Winslow, to approve the March 14, 2024 regular Board meeting minutes as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two (Schultz, Mason). **MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Supervisor Ochadleus gave the following Treasurer's Report: General Fund Beginning Balance of \$553,937.73 receipts of \$104,382.16; interest of \$505.23; Distributions of \$51,515.76 for a New Balance of \$607,309.36 General Fund; CDARS savings account has \$215,676.08; General Fund ICS has \$283,762.69; Public Safety has \$148,746.70; Public Safety ICS has \$5,102.75; Fire Millage has \$211,285.92; Fire Millage CDARS savings account has \$53,919.21; Fire Millage ICS has \$1,061.88; Fire Equipment Millage has \$370,219.96; Fire Escrow has \$2,691.56; Deposited Escrow has \$25,236.31; Covid Funds -\$47,845.71.

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Herpolsheimer, to approve the Treasurer's Report as PRESENTED. A vote was taken. Ayes: All; Nays: None. Absent: Two (Schultz, Mason). **MOTION CARRIED.**

POLICE REPORT: Supervisor Ochadleus gave the following police report: there were 63 calls received in the month of March, with 23 of the calls handled by Township deputies.

PUBLIC TIME:

Public Time started at 7:04 p.m.

Resident Mandy Just at 57 S. Lake George Rd. Resident Just spoke on her behalf in regards to the attached garage that is under construction at her property. She and her family do not appreciate the traffic or the attention that has been brought to their home. She stated that her and her family are very uncomfortable having multiple people, including Supervisor Ochadleus, parked out in front of their home for lengthy period of times and taking pictures.

Supervisor Ochadleus apologized to resident Just and explained that he simply drove by to take a few photos for our records and to be able to present the information to the Board. Supervisor Ochadleus also explained the reasoning for the moratorium and why it has been put in to place. He stated that he spoke with CCA and told them not to put a hold on the resident's permits and to go ahead with construction.

Resident/Builder Steve Russell explained that CCA told him that Ochadleus is the one that put a hold on permits. Russell also stated that Attica Township is one of the more difficult townships to work with. Russell asked the Board members to keep in mind that property owners should be able to do and build whatever they see fit for their property.

Resident Mandy Just spoke again and stated that the memo that Supervisor Ochadleus sent out in regards to their building was not necessary. Ochadleus stated that there was no memo and she was mistaken.

Supervisor Ochadleus explained in detail about our Zoning Ordinance and why there are rules and guidelines in place. He also stated that our Zoning Ordinance is under review, that there are changes being made and should result in a more user-friendly way of navigating our townships ordinances.

Public Time ended at 7:23 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lease and Service Agreement with Ruth Hughes Memorial District Library:

Supervisor Ochadleus asked Attorney Mike Gildner to review the attached Lease and Service Agreement with Ruth Hughes Memorial District Library. Attorney Gildner stated that he will review the agreement and report back to the Board with any concerns and or input at the next Board meeting. The Board agreed.

2. Resolution for Liquor Control for Attica Days:

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Herpolsheimer to adopt the attached resolution authorizing the application for a liquor license for Attica Days. A roll call vote was taken. Ochadleus: Aye; Winslow: Aye; Herpolsheimer: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two (Schultz and Mason). **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Lapeer County EMS Resolution:

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Winslow, to adopt the resolution #2024-2 to support the Lapeer County EMS Millage Renewal. A roll call vote was taken. Herpolsheimer: Aye; Winslow: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two (Schultz, Mason). **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Deputy Fire Chief:

Fire Chief Warford has proposed a Deputy Fire Chief Position for a 3-year term.

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Herpolsheimer, to postpone the proposed Deputy Fire Chief position until after the budget meeting. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two (Schultz and Mason). **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. FIRE: None.
2. PARK: There was a quick discussion on the positive feed back the park has been receiving. There have been many social media postings on how great Attica Park is and that many people are enjoying their time.
3. PLANNING and ZONING: Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
4. ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Gildner reported there are no updates on the Vasbinder case.
5. AMBULANCE: None.
6. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: None.

7. BOARD: Budget Meeting was rescheduled to May 2, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

REVIEWING AND PAYING BILLS:

The bills were reviewed by the Board for the General Fund for the amount of \$40,989.83 (check #24801 through check #24855) the Fire Fund for the amount of \$8,749.17 (check #6940 through check #6966) Public Safety for the amount of \$13,646.60 (check #1316) for a total of \$63,385.60

There being no further business before the Board, **MOTION** by Herpolsheimer, seconded by Winslow to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two (Schultz, Mason). **MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Valerie Schutlz, Clerk

Giovanna Raimondo, Deputy Clerk