

ATTICA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
October 10, 2024
Valerie Schultz, Clerk

At a meeting of the Attica Township Board held October 10, 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, Clerk Valerie Schultz and Trustee Bill Winslow. Absent: Two. (Treasurer Mason and Trustee Herpolsheimer. ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Gildner and the public per the sign-in sheet attached.

Pledge of Allegiance

ACCEPT AGENDA:

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

REVIEW MINUTES:

The minutes of September 12, 2024 regular Board meeting were reviewed by the Board; and there being no additions, corrections, or deletions;

MOTION by Schultz, seconded by Winslow, to approve the September 12, 2024 regular Board meeting minutes as presented. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Ochadleus discussed a letter with the Board that was submitted by an anonymous person who uses the walking path regularly. The letter expressed concern for the walker's safety while there are people using bikes and or rollerblades. It was asked if there could be signs stating the flow of walkers versus bike riders.

There was discussion in regards to placing signage for the flow of traffic on the walking path to help with the safety of our park users. Park Manager Mason was asked to look into signs for this project.

Supervisor Ochadleus informed the Board that Bazco Oil has submitted their application for a building permit along with required documents and fees.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Supervisor Ochadleus gave the following Treasurer's Report: General Fund Beginning Balance of \$354,597.21 receipts of \$118,753.42; interest of \$320.81; Distributions of \$52,494.12 for a New Balance of \$421,177.32 General Fund; CDARS savings

account has \$217,394.89; General Fund ICS has \$284,237.29; Public Safety has \$70,539.25; Public Safety ICS has \$5,106.96; Fire Millage has \$197,007.23; Fire Millage CDARS savings account has \$54,348.91; Fire Millage ICS has \$1,062.74; Fire Equipment Millage has \$26,548.54; Fire Escrow has \$2,691.56; Deposited Escrow has \$25,310.53; Covid Funds -\$47,845.71.

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

POLICE REPORT:

There was no police report at this time.

Supervisor Ochadleus informed the Board that Deputy Jordan Hiltz will be replacing Deputy Barrett.

PUBLIC TIME:

Greg Wise spoke on the upcoming election and expressed his opinions on the Judge candidates.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Changes in the Assessor Department starting mid-October:

There was discussion.

MOTION by Schultz, seconded by Winslow, to approve the changes with hours and salary for the current Assessor and Deputy Assessor starting mid – October. A roll call vote was taken. Winslow: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye; Schultz: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.** (See Attachment)

2. Request from current Supervisor to remain Attica Township's representative on both the EMS and CCA Board after November 20, 2024, continue the Land Divisions and Boundary Adjustments and to be appointed for the Open position on the Zoning Board of Appeals: (See Attachment)

There was discussion.

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Schultz, to postpone the current Supervisor's request to remain Attica Township's representative on the EMS and CCA Board, continue the Land Divisions and Boundary Adjustments and be appointed for the open position on the Zoning Board of Appeals until the upcoming Supervisor takes office, December 2024. A roll call vote was taken. Schultz: Aye; Ochadleus: Nay; Winslow: Aye. Ayes: Two. Nays: One. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Adopt Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map:

There was discussion.

MOTION by Schultz, seconded by Winslow, to postpone the adoption of the new Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map until the November 14, 2024 Township Board Meeting. A roll call vote was taken. Schultz: Aye; Winslow: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. ID Badges for ZBA and Planning Commission members:

There was discussion.

Deputy Treasurer Mason is taking lead on this project and will have badges made for the ZBA and Planning Commission members.

5. Accept Audit:

There was discussion.

Supervisor Ochadleus addressed questions and concerns that he has with the current audit financial report.

6. Attached Garage Moratorium:

There was discussion.

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Schultz, to approve an extension on the attached garage moratorium until the new Zoning Ordinance is voted on. A roll call vote was taken. Winslow: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye; Schultz: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Amend August 8, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes: (See Attachment)

There was discussion.

MOTION by Schultz, seconded by Wilson, to approve the amended minutes from the Township Board Meeting on August 8, 2024. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

8. Closed Session for Vasbinder Pending Litigation:

MOTION by Schultz, seconded by Winslow, to move into a closed session at 7:37 p.m. A roll call vote was taken. Schultz: Aye; Winslow: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Ochadleus, to close the closed session at 7:49 p.m. A roll call vote was taken. Winslow: Aye; Ochadleus: Aye; Schultz: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. FIRE: None.
2. PARK: None.
3. PLANNING and ZONING: Planning Commission meeting scheduled for October 24, 2024 has been cancelled.
4. ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Gildner informed the Board that the Owens Family have pursued the plotted land and have filed suit.
5. AMBULANCE: None.
6. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Hamilton updated the Board.
7. BOARD: None.

REVIEWING AND PAYING BILLS:

The bills were reviewed by the Board for the General Fund for the amount of \$68,647.88 (check # 25289 through check # 25376) the Fire Fund for the amount of \$8,505.78 (check #7113 through check #7143) Public Safety for the amount of \$13,383.29 (check #1322) for a total of \$90,536.95

MOTION by Winslow, seconded by Schultz, to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$90,536.95. A roll call vote was taken. Ochadleus: Aye; Schultz: Aye; Winslow: Aye. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

There being no further business before the Board, **MOTION** by Winslow, seconded by Schultz, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. A vote was taken. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Absent: Two. (Mason and Herpolsheimer). **MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Valerie Schutlz, Clerk

Giovanna Raimondo, Deputy Clerk