## **BOWNE TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

# **MONDAY, JULY 15, 2024**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** RANDY WILCOX – SUPERVISOR

KAREN HENDRICK – CLERK

**BONNIE LENT-DAVIS – TREASURER** 

DAVID FUSS – TRUSTEE ROBERT FLYNN – TRUSTEE

ORHERS PRESENT: CHUCK KAECHELE – Morse Lake Ave

KIM CULBERTSON – Wingeier Ave KATIE WHEELER – Alden Nash SE JOE INFANTE – Miller Canfield JIM OOSTING – Morse Lake Ave

The regular monthly meeting of the Bowne Township Board was held on Monday, July 15, 2024, in the Historic Township Hall located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue SE, Alto, MI 49302. Supervisor Wilcox called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. A Motion by Trustee Flynn to approve today's meeting.

### **AGENDA:**

A Motion by Trustee Flynn to approve the agenda. Supported by Trustee Flynn. Motion Carried.

#### **MINUTES:**

A Motion by Trustee Flynn to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2024, Board Meeting, noting all changes. Supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion carried.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by Trustee Flynn to accept the Treasurer's Report. Supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion Carried

### **MONTHLY BILLS DUE & PAYABLE FOR JUNE 2024:**

Motion by Trustee Flynn the monthly bills be allowed and paid for June 2024. Supported by Clerk Hendrick. Motion Carried.

## **CLERK'S COMMENTS:**

We have been able to connect with Gabridge & Company located in Grand Rapids to do this year's audit. We filled out a questionnaire to secure a quote and their quote was just received earlier today. We have used Campbell Auditing out of the Bay City area for decades and their contract has expired. Gabridge & Company quote is very competitive at about \$10,000.00.

#### TREASURER'S COMMENTS:

Treasurer Lent-Davis would like more quotes for three auditors, based on the amount we pay for auditing feels we should get two more quotes.

## SUPERVISOR COMMENTS:

None

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#### **BOWNE TOWNSHIP FIRE REPORT:**

Bowne Township ran 25 calls in June.

### FREEPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Freeport Fire ran 12 calls in June, there were not any in Bowne Township. Their pancake breakfast is July 27.

### P.C.I. of MI INC. REPORT:

There were 2 building permits issued for new construction during the month of June totaling \$70,932.00.

MINUTES: DDA, Planning Commission, Historical Commission

#### **SEWER REPORT:**

A Motion by Clerk Hendrick to sign agreement with Progressive AE Contractor Award Recommendation for the 64<sup>th</sup> Street Lift Station Project and award the project to Fischer Idema. Supported by Trustee Flynn. Motion Carried. Treasurer Lent-Davis made a motion the Agreement form not be voted on tonight until we have final resolution and a signed document to confirm what was agreed upon prior along with a bond and proof of insurance. Supported by Trustee Flynn. Motion Carried.

A Motion by Clerk Hendrick to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> Payment to Fischer Idema for \$279,669.60 leaving us a balance of \$744,104.50. Supported by Trustee Flynn. Motion Carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Light Improvements to Township Hall: A Motion by Trustee Flynn to approve a quote of \$1,475.00 to replace/repair the lights in the Township Offices. Supported by Trustee Fuss. Motion Carried. Treasurer Lent-Davis opposed.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

A Motion by Clerk Hendrick for Supervisor Wilcox to execute a Quit Claim Deed to Clear Title of 6071 Depot Street, Alto MI. Supported by Trustee Flynn. Motion Carried.

Motion by Trustee Flynn to approve the bid by Zylstra Construction to replace the siding on the township offices. Supported by Clerk Hendrick. Motion Carried.

A Motion by Trustee Flynn to table the Resolution to Impose a Moratorium and the Request from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission for 9986 Alden Nash Winery. Supported by Clerk Hendrick. Motion Carried.

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**CORRESPONDENCE:** Letter from Ray Mooney complimenting the Fire Department on how well they handled an emergency in his neighborhood.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Kim Culbertson gave an update on the Bell Project.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Trustee Flynn to adjourn the meeting. Supported by Clerk Hendrick. Motion Carried. Meeting Adjourned at 8:07 P.M.